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- Civilian Employees (6213.0) (monthly, April 1980 released 8-7-80, 8 pp.)
- Average Weekly Earnings (6302.0) (quarterly, June 1980 released 1-9-80, 4 pp.)
- Wage Rates (6312.0) (monthly, June 1980 released 23-9-80, 18 pp.)
- Industrial Disputes (6321.0) (monthly, May 1980 released 25-9-80, 2 pp.)
- Consumer Price Index (6401.0) (quarterly, June 1980 released 24-7-80, 9 pp.)
- Average Retail Prices of Selected Food and Grocery Items, Six State Capital Cities and Canberra (6403.0) (quarterly, June 1980 released 11-8-80, 2 pp.)
- Export Price Index, Australia (6405.0) (monthly, July 1980 released 2-10-80, 4 pp.)
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- Price Index of Materials Used in Manufacturing Industry (6411.0) (monthly, July 1980 released 1-10-80, 6 pp.)
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ASIC	Australian Standard Industrial Classification	r	figure or series revised since previous issue
M	males; F females; P persons	..	not applicable
n.a.	not available	-	nil or less than half the unit shown
n.e.c.	not elsewhere classified	—	break in continuity of the series (where drawn across a column between two consecutive figures)
n.e.i.	not elsewhere included		
n.p.	not available for separate publication but included in totals where applicable	(H)	located in Hobart Statistical Division;
		(S)	located in Southern Statistical Division;
n.y.a.	not yet available	(H)(S)	parts in both Divisions.
p	preliminary - figure or series subject to revision		

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LABOUR

SCOPE, DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

Labour Force Survey

Until February 1978 this survey was conducted quarterly; from then it has been monthly. Information is obtained from occupants of selected dwellings by trained interviewers. The interviews usually take place over the two weeks beginning on the Monday between the 6th and 12th of each month. Information obtained relates to the week before interview. Operational problems related to the Christmas/New Year holiday period may cause some adjustment to timing of the December and/or January survey.

Scope:

Includes all persons aged 15 years and over except: (i) members of the permanent defence forces; (ii) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas government automatically excluded from census and estimated population figures; (iii) overseas visitors holidaying in Australia; (iv) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia.

Definitions:

The labour force category to which a person is assigned depends on his actual activity during the survey week. The definitions used conform closely to the international standard definitions specified by the International Labour Organisation.

(i) *Employed persons* comprise all those aged 15 years and over who, during the survey week:

- (a) worked for one hour or more for pay, profit, commission or payment in kind in a job or business, or on a farm (including employees, employers and self-employed persons); or
- (b) worked for 15 hours or more without pay in a family business or on a farm (i.e. unpaid family helper); or
- (c) were employees who had a job but were not at work, and were on paid leave; on leave without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; stood down without pay because of bad weather or plant breakdown at their place of employment for

less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week; on strike or locked out; on workers' compensation and expected to be returning to their job; or receiving wages or salary while undertaking full-time study; or

(d) were employers or self-employed persons who had a job, business or farm, but were not at work.

(ii) *Unemployed persons* are those aged 15 years and over who were not employed during the survey week, and

(a) had actively looked for full-time or part-time work at any time in the four weeks up to the end of the survey week and:

(i) were available for work in the survey week, or would have been available except for temporary illness (i.e. lasting for less than four weeks to the end of the survey week); or

(ii) were waiting to start a new job within four weeks from the end of the survey week and would have started in the survey week if the job had been available then;

or

(b) were waiting to be called back to a full-time or part-time job from which they had been stood down without pay for less than four weeks up to the end of the survey week (including the whole of the survey week) for reasons other than bad weather or plant breakdown.

(iii) *Unemployment rate* for any group is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed) in the same group.

(iv) *Labour force* comprises all persons who, during the survey week, were employed or unemployed, as defined above.

(v) *Labour force participation rate* for any group is the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over in the same group.

(vi) *Persons not in labour force* are those persons who, during the survey week, were not in the categories 'employed' or 'unemployed'. Includes persons keeping house (unpaid), attending an educational institution, retired, voluntarily inactive, inmates of institutions, etc.

Revision of series:

Estimates are calculated so as to conform with the independently estimated distribution of the population by age and sex. Consequently whenever these population benchmarks are revised it becomes necessary to revise the labour force estimates. Survey estimates back to August 1966 have been recalculated to take account of results of the 1966, 1971 and 1976 population censuses and estimates of under-enumeration. Survey estimates for February 1978 and subsequent months are based on a new sample and revised questionnaire. Estimates for August 1966 to November 1977 have been revised to provide a series as comparable as possible with February 1978 and later estimates.

Characteristics of Labour Force at Censuses

At Censuses persons aged 15 years and over are asked questions about their labour force participation, industry of employment and occupation. The answers allow detailed analysis of the labour force. This bulletin does not contain any census labour force tables - however, such tables are printed in A.B.S. census bulletins, or are available from computer printout, microfiche, etc.

Wage and Salary Earners in Civilian Employment

The figures in the employment tables are based on data derived from the Population Censuses of June 1971 and June 1976 and on other later data from three main sources: (i) current payroll tax returns; (ii) current returns from government bodies; and (iii) some other direct current employment returns (e.g. for hospitals). The three current sources just specified cover most employment but a small unrecorded balance in the private sector has to be estimated.

Month-to-month changes shown by current returns are linked with the benchmark data (the June 1971 and June 1976 Censuses) to derive the monthly estimate. At April 1980, employment totals obtained from the three current sources defined above represented about 85 per cent of the total number of employees in the industries covered, as determined by the Census.

The figures contained in this and the previous issue are based on revised benchmarks and other data and are not compatible with figures contained in earlier issues. The revisions were made on the basis of data from the 1971 and 1976 Population Censuses, labour force surveys, economic censuses and surveys, payroll tax returns, returns from government bodies and other employment returns.

The table figures relate only to civilian wage and salary earners, not to the total labour force and, therefore, exclude employers, self-employed persons, unpaid helpers and members of the defence forces. Also excluded, because of inadequate current data, are employees in agriculture and in private domestic service.

Current data supplied by reporting enterprises or establishments generally refer to persons on the payroll for the last pay-period in each month. Persons who are on paid leave, or who work during part of the pay-period and are unemployed or on strike during the rest of the period, are generally counted as employed. Those not shown on employer's payrolls because they are on leave without pay, on strike or stood down for the entire period are excluded.

Payroll tax returns are currently lodged by all employers paying more than \$1 154 a week in wages (other than certain government bodies, religious and benevolent institutions, public hospitals and similar types of organisations specifically exempted). The 1980 State Budget included a proposal to raise the level to \$1 500 per week from 1 January 1981. (From 1 January 1977 until 31 December 1977 the rate was \$923 per week, from 1 January 1976 \$800 per week, and prior to 1 January 1976 the rate was \$400 per week.)

Although the series measures the short-term trends in employment in the defined field reasonably well, it may be less reliable for longer-term measurement. There are conceptual differences between benchmark and payroll data, and changes in such factors as labour, turnover, multiple jobholding and part-time working all affect the trend over longer periods. Also, increases in exemption levels may result in a reduction in the number of businesses liable for payroll tax and consequently increase the size of the unrecorded sector for which employment has to be estimated. For these reasons it will be necessary to revise the series from time to time. The April 1980 civilian employee figures were the last published estimates pending the outcome of an ABS investigation into the series and the need for revision.

Registered Unemployment and Job Vacancies

The figures in the unemployment tables are taken directly from the Department of Employment and Youth Affairs monthly publication Monthly Review of the Employment Situation. The figures generally relate to the Friday nearest the end of the month.

'Registered unemployed' includes all persons who claimed, when registering with the Commonwealth Employment Service, that they were not employed and who were recorded as unplaced. Also included are those referred to employers and those who may have obtained employment without notifying the Commonwealth Employment Service. Persons receiving unemployment benefit are necessarily included.

'Registered job vacancies' refer to vacancies which employers claimed were available immediately, or would be available by the end of the following calendar month.

LABOUR

TABLE 1. LABOUR FORCE SURVEY: CIVILIAN POPULATION AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER

BY EMPLOYMENT STATUS, TASMANIA

Month	Employed	Unemployed			Labour force	Not in labour force	Civilian population aged 15 years and over	Unemployment rate (a)	Participation rate (b)
		Looking for full-time work	Looking for part-time work	Total					
		('000)								Per cent
MALES									
1977 - February	113.1	4.6		4.8	117.9	28.4	146.2	4.0	80.6
1978 - February	111.5	7.0		7.4	118.9	29.6	148.5	6.2	80.1
1979 - February	112.7	6.8		7.2	119.8	30.0	149.9	6.0	80.0
June	113.1	4.0		4.3	117.3	33.4	150.7	3.6	77.8
July	113.7	5.6		5.7	119.4	31.4	150.8	4.8	79.2
August	111.9	6.2		6.3	118.2	32.7	150.9	5.3	78.3
September	112.1	5.9		6.1	118.2	32.9	151.1	5.1	78.2
October	113.7	5.3		5.7	119.4	32.2	151.6	4.8	78.8
November	113.2	5.3	(c)	5.4	118.6	33.2	151.8	4.6	78.1
December	113.8	6.9		7.1	120.9	31.4	152.3	5.9	79.4
1980 - January	111.7	7.6		8.1	119.8	32.7	152.4	6.7	78.6
February	113.6	7.0		7.2	120.8	31.9	152.7	5.9	79.1
March	111.6	6.1		6.5	118.1	34.8	152.9	5.5	77.2
April	112.1	6.9		7.3	119.5	33.5	153.0	6.1	78.1
May	111.9	6.3		6.3	118.2	35.0	153.2	5.3	77.2
June	112.5	5.8		6.1	118.6	34.8	153.4	5.2	77.3
July	112.7	5.3		5.4	118.0	35.9	153.9	4.5	76.7
FEMALES									
1977 - February	52.4	3.9	1.9	5.8	58.2	90.0	148.2	9.9	39.3
1978 - February	54.2	4.5	(c)	6.0	60.2	90.5	150.7	9.9	39.9
1979 - February	56.1	4.3	(c)	5.3	61.4	91.4	152.7	8.7	40.2
June	60.2	3.1	(c)	3.7	63.9	89.9	153.7	5.8	41.6
July	60.6	4.2		5.4	66.1	87.8	153.9	8.2	42.9
August	61.3	4.7	1.5	6.2	67.5	86.5	154.0	9.2	43.9
September	59.0	4.6	(c)	5.8	64.8	89.3	154.2	8.9	42.0
October	60.3	3.7	1.7	5.4	65.7	88.7	154.4	8.2	42.5
November	60.1	3.7	(c)	5.0	65.2	89.5	154.7	7.7	42.1
December	59.0	5.3	1.7	7.0	66.1	89.1	155.1	10.7	42.6
1980 - January	58.0	5.2	(c)	6.2	64.2	91.1	155.3	9.6	41.3
February	60.1	5.3	(c)	6.4	66.5	89.0	155.5	9.6	42.8
March	61.0	4.2	2.1	6.3	67.3	88.4	155.7	9.4	43.2
April	59.2	3.9	(c)	5.1	64.3	91.6	155.9	7.9	41.3
May	59.1	3.9	1.5	5.4	64.4	91.7	156.1	8.3	41.3
June	59.1	4.1	(c)	5.2	64.3	91.9	156.3	8.1	41.2
July	59.8	2.9	(c)	4.2	64.0	92.8	156.9	6.5	40.8
PERSONS									
1977 - February	165.5	8.5	2.1	10.6	176.0	118.4	294.4	6.0	59.8
1978 - February	165.7	11.5	1.8	13.4	179.1	120.1	299.2	7.5	59.8
1979 - February	168.7	11.2	(c)	12.5	181.2	121.4	302.6	6.9	59.9
June	173.3	7.1	(c)	7.9	181.2	123.2	304.4	4.4	59.5
July	174.4	9.8		11.1	185.5	119.2	304.7	6.0	60.9
August	173.2	11.0	1.6	12.5	185.8	119.1	304.9	6.8	60.9
September	171.1	10.6	(c)	11.9	183.0	122.3	305.2	6.5	59.9
October	174.0	9.1	2.0	11.1	185.1	120.9	306.0	6.0	60.5
November	173.3	9.1	(c)	10.4	183.8	122.7	306.5	5.7	60.0
December	172.8	12.2	1.9	14.2	187.0	120.4	307.4	7.6	60.8
1980 - January	169.7	12.8	(c)	14.2	183.9	123.8	307.7	7.7	59.8
February	173.8	12.3	(c)	13.6	187.3	120.9	308.2	7.2	60.8
March	172.6	10.4	2.3	12.8	185.4	123.2	308.6	6.9	60.1
April	171.4	10.8	1.6	12.4	183.8	125.1	308.9	6.8	59.5
May	170.9	10.2	1.5	11.7	182.6	126.6	309.2	6.4	59.0
June	171.7	9.9	1.5	11.3	183.0	126.7	309.7	6.2	59.1
July	172.5	8.2	(c)	9.5	182.0	128.8	310.8	5.2	58.6

(a) The unemployment rate is the number unemployed expressed as a percentage of the labour force (i.e. employed plus unemployed).

(b) The participation rate is the labour force expressed as a percentage of the civilian population aged 15 years and over.

(c) Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes.

Note: Since the above estimates are based on sample they are subject to sampling errors. The reliability of the estimates as measured by the 'standard error' is outlined in the bulletin *The Labour Force*, catalogue no. 6203.0. The survey estimates are calculated so as to conform to the independently estimated distribution of the population age 15 years and over by age and sex. These benchmark data are derived from census and information about population changes.

LABOUR, WAGES AND PRICES, 1979-80

TABLE 2. WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT: BY GOVERNMENT
AND PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT, TASMANIA (a)

('000)

Month	Government (b)				Private	Total
	Local	State (c)	Federal (c)	Total		
MALES						
1974 - June	2.5	19.7	5.8	28.0	60.8	88.8
December	2.9	19.8	5.9	28.6	60.8	89.4
1975 - June	3.4	20.7	6.0	30.0	59.6	89.6
December	2.9	20.7	6.0	29.5	59.6	89.1
1976 - June	2.5	20.7	5.9	29.1	59.3	88.4
December	2.6	20.8	5.9	29.2	60.6	89.8
1977 - June	2.7	21.1	5.9	29.7	60.0	89.7
December	2.6	21.3	5.9	29.8	59.6	89.5
1978 - June	2.7	19.8	7.6	30.0	59.3	89.3
December	2.6	19.7	7.5	29.8	59.4	89.2
1979 - January	2.6	19.7	7.5	29.9	59.5	89.4
February	2.7	19.9	7.5	30.1	59.8	89.9
March	2.8	19.9	7.5	30.2	59.7	89.9
April	2.8	20.0	7.5	30.2	59.7	90.0
May	2.8	20.0	7.4	30.2	59.6	89.8
June	2.7	20.0	7.4	30.1	59.3	89.4
July	2.6	19.9	7.4	30.0	58.9	88.9
August	2.6	19.9	7.4	29.8	58.9	88.8
September	2.6	19.9	7.4	29.9	58.4	88.3
October	2.6	19.9	7.4	29.8	58.3	88.2
November	2.6	19.9	7.4	29.9	58.8	88.7
December	2.6	20.0	7.4	29.9	59.0	88.9
1980 - January	2.6	20.1	7.4	30.1	59.5	89.5
February	2.6	20.3	7.4	30.2	59.4	89.6
March	2.6	20.3	7.4	30.2	59.6	89.8
April	2.6	20.3	7.4	30.2	59.5	89.7
FEMALES						
1974 - June	0.4	11.2	1.9	13.5	30.7	44.1
December	0.4	12.3	1.9	14.7	29.9	44.6
1975 - June	0.5	13.6	2.1	16.2	r 29.7	r 45.9
December	0.5	13.8	2.1	16.3	r 29.2	r 45.6
1976 - June	0.4	14.3	2.1	16.8	r 29.0	r 45.9
December	0.5	14.4	2.1	16.9	r 30.0	r 46.9
1977 - June	0.4	14.9	2.1	17.4	r 29.5	r 46.9
December	0.5	15.0	2.1	17.7	r 29.8	r 47.5
1978 - June	0.5	15.7	2.2	18.4	r 29.3	r 47.6
December	0.5	15.5	2.2	18.2	r 29.6	r 47.8
1979 - January	0.5	15.6	2.3	18.4	r 29.4	r 47.8
February	0.5	15.8	2.3	18.5	r 29.5	r 48.0
March	0.5	15.8	2.3	18.6	r 29.8	r 48.4
April	0.5	15.7	2.3	18.5	r 29.7	r 48.2
May	0.5	15.8	2.3	18.6	r 29.6	r 48.2
June	0.5	15.9	2.3	18.7	r 29.8	r 48.5
July	0.5	15.9	2.3	18.7	29.6	48.3
August	0.5	15.9	2.4	18.8	29.4	48.1
September	0.5	16.1	2.4	18.9	29.4	48.3
October	0.5	16.2	2.4	19.0	29.6	48.6
November	0.5	16.2	2.3	19.1	29.5	48.6
December	0.5	16.1	2.3	19.0	29.7	48.7
1980 - January	0.5	15.9	2.4	18.8	29.4	48.2
February	0.5	16.1	2.4	19.0	29.4	48.4
March	0.5	16.3	2.4	19.2	29.7	48.9
April	0.5	16.4	2.4	19.3	29.8	49.0

LABOUR

TABLE 2. WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT: BY GOVERNMENT AND
PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT, TASMANIA (a) - continued
('000)

Month	Government (b)				Private	Total
	Local	State (c)	Federal (c)	Total		
PERSONS						
1974 - June	2.9	30.9	7.7	41.5	91.5	132.9
December	3.3	32.1	7.9	43.3	90.7	134.0
1975 - June	3.8	34.3	8.1	46.2	r 89.3	r 135.6
December	3.3	34.4	8.1	45.9	r 88.8	r 134.7
1976 - June	2.9	35.1	8.0	46.0	r 88.3	r 134.3
December	3.1	35.1	7.9	46.1	r 90.6	r 136.7
1977 - June	3.2	r 36.0	7.9	47.0	r 89.5	r 136.6
December	3.1	36.4	8.0	47.5	r 89.5	r 137.0
1978 - June	3.1	35.5	9.8	48.4	r 88.6	r 137.0
December	3.1	35.2	9.7	48.0	r 89.0	r 137.0
1979 - January	3.1	35.3	9.8	48.2	r 88.9	r 137.2
February	3.2	35.6	9.8	48.6	r 89.3	r 137.9
March	3.3	35.7	9.8	48.8	r 89.5	r 138.3
April	3.3	35.7	9.8	48.8	r 89.4	r 138.2
May	3.3	35.8	9.8	48.8	r 89.2	r 137.9
June	3.2	35.9	9.7	48.8	r 89.1	r 137.9
July	3.1	35.8	9.8	48.7	88.5	137.2
August	3.0	35.8	9.7	48.6	88.3	136.9
September	3.0	36.0	9.8	48.8	87.8	136.6
October	3.1	36.1	9.7	48.9	87.9	136.8
November	3.1	36.1	9.7	48.9	88.3	137.2
December	3.1	36.1	9.7	48.9	88.7	137.6
1980 - January	3.1	36.0	9.8	48.9	88.9	137.7
February	3.1	36.3	9.7	49.2	88.9	138.1
March	3.1	36.6	9.7	49.4	89.2	138.7
April	3.1	36.7	9.8	49.5	89.3	138.8

- (a) The Bureau is currently investigating the methodology and compilation of this series; April 1980 statistics are the latest figures currently available.
- (b) Includes employees, within Tasmania, of government bodies (Federal, State, local and semi-government) on services such as railways, tramways, banks, post offices, air transport, education (including universities), broadcasting, television, police, public works, factories and munitions establishments, departmental hospitals and institutions, migrant hostels, etc., as well as administrative employees. Excludes State and local government employees engaged in rural industry, or in private homes as employees of government emergency housekeeper services. Also excludes defence forces.
- (c) Includes semi-government bodies.

LABOUR, WAGES AND PRICES, 1979-80

TABLE 3. WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT: INDUSTRY DIVISION AND
SUB-DIVISION, TASMANIA (a)
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ASIC division or sub-division	1975-76		1976-77		1977-78		1978-79		1979-80	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	April
MALES										
Forestry, fishing and hunting	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2
Mining	4.2	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.7	3.6	3.7	3.8	3.9	3.9
Food, beverages and tobacco	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.0	4.1	3.9	3.9	3.8	3.7	3.6
Textiles	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Manufacturing -										
Clothing and footwear	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Wood, wood products and furniture	3.9	3.9	3.9	4.0	3.5	3.3	3.2	3.2	3.3	3.3
Paper, and paper products, printing and publishing	4.9	5.0	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.4	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3
Chemical, petroleum and coal products	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8
Glass, clay and other non-metallic products	1.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0
Basic metal products	3.5	3.7	3.9	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2	4.3
Fabricated metal products	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.4
Transport equipment	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.2	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Other industrial machinery and equipment and household appliances	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	1.0	0.9	0.9
Leather, rubber and plastic products and manufacturing n.e.c.	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3
Total	23.1	23.6	24.1	23.9	23.4	23.2	23.0	22.8	22.8	22.8
Electricity, gas and water	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.3	3.4	3.4
Construction	11.7	11.3	10.9	11.2	11.2	11.0	11.1	11.3	11.1	11.4
Wholesale and retail trade -										
Wholesale trade	6.6	6.3	6.8	6.6	6.5	6.5	6.6	6.6	6.5	6.7
Retail trade	7.4	7.4	7.9	7.9	7.9	8.0	7.9	7.9	7.6	7.5
Total	14.0	13.8	14.7	14.4	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.5	14.1	14.3
Transport and storage -										
Road transport	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.7	2.8	2.9	2.8	2.8	2.6	2.6
Rail and air transport	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5
Water transport	1.6	1.4	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.5
Other transport and storage	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5
Total	6.9	6.5	6.7	6.4	6.4	6.4	6.3	6.2	5.9	6.1
Communication	2.8	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7	2.7
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services -										
Finance and investment	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2	2.2
Insurance	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.9
Real estate and business services	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0
Total	4.6	4.6	4.7	4.8	4.9	4.9	5.1	5.2	5.1	5.1
Public administration and defence	5.1	5.1	5.1	5.2	5.2	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.3	5.4
Community services -										
Health	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.0	2.0	2.1	2.2	2.2
Education, libraries, museums and art galleries	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.4	4.4	4.6	4.6	4.8	4.8	4.9
Welfare and charitable services, religious institutions and other community services	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.2	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0
Total	8.9	9.0	9.0	9.3	9.5	9.7	9.8	10.0	10.0	10.1
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	3.5	3.3	3.5	3.4	3.5	3.3	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.4
Total all industries	89.1	88.4	89.8	89.7	89.5	89.3	89.2	89.4	88.9	89.7

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TABLE 3. WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT: INDUSTRY DIVISION AND
SUB-DIVISION, TASMANIA (a) - continued
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ASIC division or sub-division	1975-76		1976-77		1977-78		1978-79		1979-80	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	April
FEMALES										
Forestry, fishing and hunting	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Mining	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Manufacturing -										
Food, beverages and tobacco	1.3	1.6	1.4	1.5	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.6	1.2	1.4
Textiles	1.2	1.2	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9
Clothing and footwear	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Wood, wood products and furniture	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Paper and paper products, printing and publishing	0.7	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Chemical, petroleum and coal products	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glass, clay and other non-metallic mineral products	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Basic metal products	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Fabricated metal products	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Transport equipment	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Other industrial machinery and equipment and household appliances	r0.2	r0.2	r0.2	r0.2	r0.2	r0.2	r0.2	r0.2	0.2	0.2
Leather, rubber and plastic products and manufacturing n.e.c.	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Total	r4.5	r4.8	r4.5	r4.5	r4.3	r4.4	r4.2	r4.5	4.0	4.3
Electricity, gas and water	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3
Construction	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.4	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5
Wholesale and retail trade -										
Wholesale trade	1.7	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.9
Retail trade	8.2	7.6	8.4	7.9	8.3	7.9	8.0	8.1	8.1	7.7
Total	9.8	9.3	10.0	9.6	10.0	9.6	9.7	9.9	9.8	9.6
Transport and storage -										
Road transport	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.2	0.3	0.3	0.3
Rail and air transport	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Water transport	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1
Other transport and storage	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2
Total	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6
Communication	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services -										
Finance and investment	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	2.0
Insurance	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.8
Real estate and business services	1.5	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.7	1.6	1.8	1.7	1.8	1.8
Total	3.9	3.9	4.2	4.4	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.5	4.6	4.6
Public administration and defence	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.2	3.3	3.3	3.4	3.4	3.4
Community services -										
Health	8.6	8.8	9.1	9.5	9.6	10.0	9.7	9.9	10.0	10.1
Education, libraries, museums and art galleries	6.3	6.8	6.8	6.9	6.9	7.3	7.2	7.3	7.4	7.6
Welfare and charitable services, religious institutions and other community services	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1
Total	15.8	16.8	16.8	17.3	17.5	18.3	17.9	18.3	18.5	18.8
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	6.2	6.0	6.0	5.5	5.7	5.3	5.7	5.3	5.8	5.6
Total all industries	r45.6	r45.9	r46.9	r46.9	r47.5	r47.6	r47.8	r48.5	48.7	49.0

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TABLE 3. WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT: INDUSTRY DIVISION AND
SUB-DIVISION, TASMANIA (a)- continued
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ASIC division or sub-division	1975-76		1976-77		1977-78		1978-79		1979-80	
	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	April
PERSONS										
Forestry, fishing and hunting	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.3	1.3	1.3
Mining	4.4	4.1	4.0	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.9	4.0	4.1	4.1
Manufacturing -										
Food, beverages and tobacco	5.5	5.9	5.7	5.5	5.4	5.3	5.2	5.4	4.8	5.0
Textiles	2.4	2.4	2.2	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6
Clothing and footwear	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2	0.2
Wood, wood products and furniture	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	3.7	3.5	3.4	3.4	3.5	3.4
Paper and paper products, printing and publishing	5.6	5.7	6.0	5.9	6.0	6.1	6.1	6.0	6.1	6.1
Chemical, petroleum and coal products	0.8	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.9	0.8	0.8
Glass, clay and other non-metallic mineral products	1.1	1.0	1.1	1.1	1.1	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0
Basic metal products	3.7	3.9	4.1	4.2	4.1	4.2	4.3	4.3	4.4	4.5
Fabricated metal products	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.6	1.5	1.5	1.6
Transport equipment	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.5	1.5	1.5
Other industrial machinery and equipment and household appliances	r0.9	r0.9	r1.0	r1.0	r1.1	r1.1	r1.1	r1.1	1.1	1.1
Leather, rubber and plastic products and manufacturing n.e.c.	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.3	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.3
Total	r27.7	r28.4	r28.6	r28.4	r27.7	r27.6	r27.2	r27.3	26.8	27.1
Electricity, gas and water	3.5	3.6	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.6	3.6	3.7	3.7	3.7
Construction	12.0	11.6	11.2	11.5	11.6	11.5	11.6	11.8	11.6	11.9
Wholesale and retail trade -										
Wholesale trade	8.3	8.0	8.5	8.3	8.2	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.2	8.6
Retail trade	15.6	15.1	16.3	15.8	16.2	16.0	15.8	16.0	15.7	15.2
Total	23.8	23.1	24.7	24.1	24.4	24.2	24.2	24.4	23.9	23.9
Transport and storage -										
Road transport	3.2	3.1	3.1	3.0	3.0	3.1	3.1	3.1	2.9	2.8
Rail and air transport	2.0	2.0	2.0	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.7	1.7	1.7
Water transport	1.7	1.5	1.6	1.5	1.4	1.4	1.3	1.4	1.3	1.6
Other transport and storage	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.6	0.7	0.6	0.7	0.7	0.7	0.7
Total	7.5	7.2	7.3	7.1	7.0	7.0	6.9	6.8	6.6	6.7
Communication	3.5	3.6	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.5	3.6	3.6
Finance, insurance, real estate and business services -										
Finance and investment	3.3	3.5	3.6	3.8	3.9	3.8	4.0	4.1	4.1	4.2
Insurance	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.9	1.8	1.8	1.8	1.9	1.8	1.7
Real estate and business services	3.3	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.6	3.5	3.7	3.7	3.7	3.8
Total	8.4	8.5	8.9	9.2	9.3	9.2	9.5	9.7	9.7	9.7
Public administration and defence	8.1	8.1	8.2	8.4	8.4	8.6	8.6	8.7	8.7	8.8
Community services -										
Health	10.4	10.7	10.9	11.4	11.6	11.9	11.7	12.0	12.2	12.3
Education, libraries, museums and art galleries	10.4	11.0	11.0	11.2	11.3	11.8	11.8	12.1	12.1	12.5
Welfare and charitable services, religious institutions and other community services	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.0	4.1	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.2	4.1
Total	24.7	25.6	25.8	26.6	27.0	28.0	27.7	28.3	28.5	28.9
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	9.7	9.3	9.5	8.9	9.2	8.6	9.0	8.5	9.1	9.0
Total all industries	r134.7	r134.3	r136.7	r136.6	r137.0	r137.0	r137.0	r137.0	137.6	138.8

(a) The Bureau is currently investigating the methodology and compilation of this series; April 1980 statistics are the latest figures currently available.

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT

PRINCIPAL ASIC INDUSTRY COMPONENTS AT JUNE AND DECEMBER

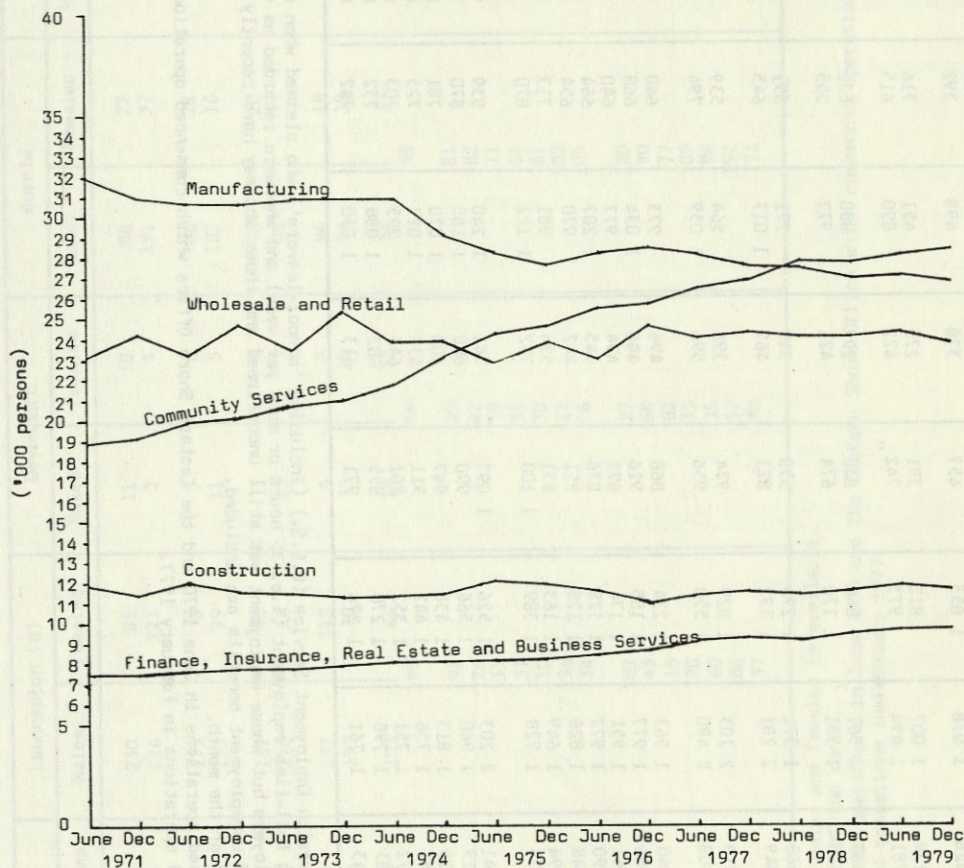


TABLE 4. PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH DISTRICT OFFICES OF THE
COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE (a), TASMANIA

(Source: Department of Employment and Youth Affairs)

Date (b)	Hobart (c)		Launceston (d)		Devonport		Burnie		Total Tasmania		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons
1974 - June	1 130	600	394	393	214	144	230	205	1 968	1 342	3 310
December	2 096	1 428	1 038	1 053	457	378	498	392	4 089	3 251	7 340
1975 - June	1 799	1 139	1 007	812	391	275	451	316	3 648	2 542	6 190
December	3 324	1 781	1 494	973	742	422	890	615	6 450	3 791	10 241
1976 - June	2 755	1 463	1 567	864	638	297	880	522	5 840	3 146	8 986
December	3 232	1 628	1 581	1 130	674	421	977	555	6 464	3 734	10 198
1977 - June	2 442	1 468	1 371	1 276	558	349	771	551	5 142	3 644	8 786
December	4 147	1 849	2 281	1 392	821	469	1 017	645	8 266	4 355	12 621
1978 - June	4 220	1 719	2 103	1 029	974	396	964	539	8 261	3 683	11 944
December	4 850	2 308	2 480	1 550	956	596	1 039	794	9 325	5 248	14 573
1979 - June	4 557	2 040	1 963	1 234	868	496	973	660	8 361	4 430	12 791
July	4 439	1 986	1 977	1 185	926	444	1 034	668	8 376	4 283	12 659
August	4 470	2 041	1 951	1 174	892	434	977	640	8 290	4 289	12 579
September	4 579	1 990	1 977	1 128	876	445	1 207	664	8 639	4 227	12 866
October	4 828	1 948	1 826	1 128	951	442	970	654	8 575	4 172	12 747
November	4 687	1 994	1 649	1 163	931	524	981	713	8 248	4 394	12 642
December	5 107	2 533	1 928	1 389	1 100	702	1 122	870	9 257	5 494	14 751
1980 - January	5 371	2 741	2 203	1 526	1 097	741	1 240	939	9 911	5 947	15 858
February	5 192	2 729	1 960	1 566	990	688	1 185	870	9 327	5 853	15 180
March	4 748	2 415	1 813	1 438	947	600	1 070	781	8 578	5 234	13 812
April	4 528	2 241	1 756	1 442	911	637	1 027	723	8 222	5 043	13 265
May	4 536	2 172	1 751	1 352	881	645	995	703	8 163	4 872	13 035
June	4 667	2 283	1 798	1 278	895	603	1 088	732	8 448	4 896	13 344
July	4 600	2 143	1 761	1 274	971	613	1 030	742	8 362	4 772	13 134

- (a) All persons registered with the Commonwealth Employment Service (C.E.S.) (including 'school-leavers') who claimed when registering with the C.E.S. that they were not employed and were seeking full-time employment (i.e. 35 hours or more per week) and who were recorded as unplaced at the end of the month shown. Includes those referred to employers but whose employment was still unconfirmed and those who may have recently obtained employment without notifying the C.E.S. All recipients of unemployment benefits are included.
- (b) Generally at the Friday nearest the end of the month.
- (c) Includes Glenorchy Office which commenced operations in June 1970 and the Eastern Shore Office which commenced operations in January 1975.
- (d) Includes Mowbray Office which commenced operations in February 1977.

TABLE 5. JOB VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH DISTRICT OFFICES OF THE COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE, TASMANIA (a)

(Source: Department of Employment and Youth Affairs)

Date (b)	Hobart (c)		Launceston (d)		Devonport		Burnie		Total Tasmania		
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Persons
1974 - June	475	161	230	81	11	10	88	22	804	274	1 078
	December	562	183	226	221	3	4	191	37	982	1 427
1975 - June	386	102	175	38	7	8	86	21	654	169	823
	December	565	127	133	39	11	5	182	16	891	1 078
1976 - June	254	84	167	44	3	4	78	20	502	152	654
	December	364	116	210	48	13	3	98	39	685	891
1977 - June	352	98	237	140	4	2	96	18	689	258	947
	December	412	144	199	70	35	29	84	18	730	991
1978 - June	198	99	103	66	29	31	54	33	384	229	613
	December	403	199	46	98	n.a.	746				
1979 - June	275		191		55		81		n.a.		602
	July	293	126		42		82		n.a.		543
	August	271	135		39		71		n.a.		516
	September	292	131		31		66		n.a.		520
	October	305	110		30		81		n.a.		526
	November	273	136		28		102		n.a.		539
	December	222	134		16		105		n.a.		477
1980 - January	229		182		27		120		n.a.		558
	February	251	143		68		90		n.a.		552
	March	302	115		82		77		n.a.		576
	April	324	170		33		109		n.a.		636
	May	277	160		35		96		n.a.		568
	June	307	186		37		192		n.a.		722
	July	342	197		30		171		n.a.		740

(a) From November 1978 no break up between males and females is available.

(b) Generally at the Friday nearest the end of the month.

(c) Includes Glenorchy Office which commenced operations in June 1970 and the Eastern Shore Office which commenced operations in January 1975.

(d) Includes Mowbray Office which commenced operations in February 1977.

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TABLE 6. PERSONS REGISTERED FOR EMPLOYMENT WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE: OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS, TASMANIA (a)

(Source: Department of Employment and Youth Affairs)

Occupational group						1975-76		1976-77		1977-78		1978-79		1979-80	
						Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Nov.	May	Nov.	May
Rural	..	..	..	..	M	247	380	215	235	295	434	486	559	489	528
					F	28	16	31	30	49	56	58	121	86	104
Professional and semi-professional					M	169	147	142	91	195	187	225	245	204	236
					F	157	107	158	114	144	148	176	169	157	167
Clerical and administrative	..				M	779	520	630	507	727	733	778	839	839	816
					F	2 416	1 913	2 328	2 282	2 665	2 183	2 440	2 780	2 687	3 038
Skilled, building and construction					M	365	214	386	135	675	554	405	388	317	312
					F	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1	4
Skilled, metal and electrical	..				M	583	188	542	179	713	373	376	428	336	265
					F	1	-	2	-	2	1	2	1	2	1
Other skilled	..	..	..		M	115	75	110	70	159	130	152	122	95	111
					F	40	26	37	18	30	21	17	22	19	24
Semi-skilled	..	..	..		M	1 812	1 913	1 881	1 650	2 278	2 620	2 882	2 785	2 930	2 962
					F	453	463	470	474	472	412	495	444	500	527
Unskilled manual		..	..		M	1 977	2 004	2 089	1 849	2 604	2 598	2 473	2 282	2 371	2 190
					F	12	13	7	13	19	14	21	25	20	14
Service occupations	..	..			M	403	399	469	426	620	632	696	709	667	743
					F	683	608	700	713	973	848	956	1 071	922	993
Total	..	..	..		M	6 450	5 840	6 464	5 142	8 266	8 261	8 473	8 357	8 248	8 163
					F	3 791	3 146	3 734	3 644	4 355	3 683	4 165	4 633	4 394	4 872

(a) From 1979, only available for the months of February, May, August and November.

TABLE 7. VACANCIES REGISTERED WITH COMMONWEALTH EMPLOYMENT SERVICE: OCCUPATIONAL GROUPS, TASMANIA (a)

(Source: Department of Employment and Youth Affairs)

Occupational group						1975-76		1976-77		1977-78		1978-79		1979-80	
						Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Dec.	June	Nov.	May	Nov.	May
Rural	M	47	3	17	14	69	27	33	9	27	15				
	F	15	-	1	1	-	3	2							
Professional and semi-professional	M	126	46	53	75	110	83	48	68	77	95				
	F	49	6	26	29	63	36	37							
Clerical and administrative ..	M	141	86	76	104	88	55	49	137	117	125				
	F	50	51	69	134	92	93	71							
Skilled, building and construction	M	171	60	115	45	46	14	93	48	31	28				
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Skilled, metal and electrical ..	M	209	137	171	123	179	56	135	68	89	81				
	F	-	-	-	-	-	-	-							
Other skilled	M	46	29	50	31	33	30	32	29	22	30				
	F	2	1	3	1	4	3	2							
Semi-skilled	M	113	111	106	246	96	89	78	183	60	99				
	F	7	20	3	18	14	18	16							
Unskilled manual	M	19	11	60	35	71	15	42	33	13	21				
	F	1	1	2	2	2	1	3							
Service occupations	M	19	19	37	16	38	15	33	95	103	74				
	F	63	73	102	73	86	75	82							
Total	M	891	502	685	689	730	384	543	670	539	568				
	F	187	152	206	258	261	229	213							

(a) From 1979, only available for total persons in February, May, August and November.

TRADE UNIONS AND INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES

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Trade Unions

The figures shown in this section are prepared from a special collection of the membership of trade unions at 31 December each year. 'Proportion of total wage and salary earners' shows approximate percentages of wage and salary earners in employment who were members of trade unions.

Revision of Series

Many of the figures previously published for the period 1968 to 1978 have been revised. The published number of reporting trade unions varies from year to year as a result of mergers, amalgamations, unions ceasing to exist, new unions forming, existing organisations changing their status to bring them into scope of the collection and existing unions reporting for the first time. In the past, when organisations were first identified as being or having become trade unions membership figures were not always obtained for earlier periods. During a recent review of trade union statistics missing information was obtained from organisations back to 1968. In addition a number of organisations not previously counted as trade unions have been included in the statistics.

Industrial Disputes

Statistics relating to industrial disputes refer only to disputes of 10 man-days or more. Workers indirectly involved are those employees who, although not parties to the dispute, are thrown out of work at the establishment where the stoppage occurred. The figures exclude details relating to workers thrown out of work at establishments other than those where the stoppages occurred.

Industrial dispute statistics are compiled from: (i) direct collections from employers and trade unions; (ii) reports of government departments and other authorities; (iii) state and federal authorities; and (iv) trade journals, trade union and employer publications and newspaper reports. Particulars of some stoppages may be estimated; therefore the statistics should be regarded as giving a broad measure of the extent of work stoppages. Disputes not settled at the end of the year are included as new disputes in the figures of the following year. A dispute involving workers in more than one industry group is counted once only in the item 'Number of disputes' and is included in the industry group with the largest number of workers involved. However, workers involved, working days lost and estimated loss in wages and salaries are allocated to their respective industries.

TABLE 8. TRADE UNIONS: NUMBER AND MEMBERSHIP, TASMANIA (a) r

At 31 December	Separate unions	Members	Increase in membership (b)	Proportion of total wage and salary earners
	no.	'000	per cent	per cent
1968	115	684	0.4	54
1969	116	70.5	3.1	54
1970	119	74.1	5.1	56
1971	115	75.9	2.4	58
1972	112	81.0	6.7	60
1973	118	84.0	3.7	61
1974	123	89.0	6.0	64
1975	122	88.0	- 1.1	63
1976	120	87.6	- 0.5	62
1977	122	92.3	5.4	65
1978	123	90.9	- 1.5	64
1979	120	90.0	- 1.0	63

(a) See note 'Revision of Series' above.

(b) On preceding year.

TABLE 9. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES: ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS, SUMMARY, TASMANIA (a)

Period	Disputes	Workers involved (directly and indirectly)	Working days lost	Estimated loss in wages
	no.	'000	'000	\$'000
1974	79	33.6	88.5	1 801
1975	57	20.1	40.6	1 008
1976	43	30.9	62.2	1 793
1977	39	7.9	26.7	928
1978	46	17.1	35.4	1 356
1979	53	21.1	59.8	2 276
Quarter -				
1978 - September	11	2.6	5.9	234
December	12	3.6	5.6	207
1979 - March	12	2.6	9.8	389
June	22	13.9	22.9	808
September	20	7.4	21.7	846
December	8	1.3	5.4	233

(a) Statistics relate only to disputes involving stoppages of work of 10 man-days or more.

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TABLE 10. INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES BY INDUSTRY DIVISION AND SUB-DIVISION, TASMANIA (a)

ASIC division or sub-division	Disputes		Workers involved (directly and indirectly)		Working days lost		Estimated loss in wages	
	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979	1978	1979
	no.	no.	'000	'000	'000	'000	\$'000	\$'000
Agriculture, forestry, fishing and hunting	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mining	15	13	3.0	3.8	15.2	19.9	669	813
Manufacturing -								
Food, beverages and tobacco	1	1	1.3	0.6	2.6	1.3	77	47
Textiles, clothing and footwear	-	-	-	0.2	..	0.5	-	17
Wood, wood products and furniture ..	1	1	-	0.3	-	0.9	2	33
Paper and paper products, printing and publishing	4	3	1.6	1.2	2.1	5.6	78	224
Metal products, machinery and equipment	4	6	5.2	4.2	7.5	15.4	250	550
Other manufacturing	4	2	0.3	0.4	0.5	1.0	17	35
Total manufacturing	14	13	8.4	6.9	12.7	24.7	424	906
Electricity, gas and water	2	6	1.3	0.5	2.6	3.7	93	155
Construction	3	3	1.3	1.7	1.3	2.9	44	99
Wholesale and Retail Trade	-	2	-	0.5	-	0.5	-	15
Transport and storage, communication -								
Road transport; other transport and storage; communication	5	5	1.6	2.5	2.1	3.0	75	101
Railway transport; air transport ..	2	3	0.3	1.1	0.6	2.6	21	91
Water transport -								
Stevedoring services	2	2	0.8	0.6	0.8	1.1	27	40
Water transport (except stevedoring services)	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Total transport and storage; communication	10	10	2.8	4.2	3.5	6.7	124	233
Entertainment, recreation, restaurants, hotels and personal services	1	-	0.2	0.2	-	0.1	1	4
Other industries	1	6	0.1	3.3	-	1.4	-	50
Total	46	53	17.1	21.1	35.4	59.8	1 356	2 276

(a) Statistics relate only to disputes involving stoppages of work of 10 man-days or more

TABLE 11. METHOD OF SETTLEMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DISPUTES : ALL INDUSTRY GROUPS, TASMANIA (a)

Method of settlement	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979
NUMBER OF DISPUTES (b)						
Private negotiation	19	15	18	13	11	10
Mediation not based on legislation	1	-	1	1	-	-
State legislation -						
Under State conciliation, etc. legislation ..	3	3	2	3	3	4
Reference to State Government officials ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal and joint federal-state legislation -						
Industrial tribunals under -						
Conciliation and Arbitration Act	12	8	7	6	5	9
Coal industry acts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stevedoring Industry Act	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reference to Federal Government officials ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Filling the spaces of workers on strike or						
locked out	1	1	-	-	-	-
Resumption without negotiation	43	30	15	16	27	30
Total	79	57	43	39	46	53
WORKERS INVOLVED (DIRECTLY AND INDIRECTLY) ('000)						
Private negotiation	3.6	2.6	2.5	3.1	1.7	2.3
Mediation not based on legislation	0.8	-	0.2	0.1	-	-
State legislation -						
Under State conciliation, etc. legislation ..	0.2	0.1	1.2	0.6	1.0	0.4
Reference to State Government officials ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal and joint federal-state legislation -						
Industrial tribunals under -						
Conciliation and Arbitration Act	6.2	5.3	1.0	0.5	0.5	0.8
Coal industry acts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stevedoring Industry Act	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other acts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reference to Federal Government officials ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Filling the spaces of workers on strike or						
locked out	-	-	-	-	-	-
Resumption without negotiation	22.8	12.0	26.1	3.7	13.6	17.7
Total	33.6	20.1	30.9	7.9	17.1	21.1
WORKING DAYS LOST ('000)						
Private negotiation	40.8	6.4	13.4	16.0	7.0	13.5
Mediation not based on legislation	0.8	-	0.9	0.4	-	-
State legislation -						
Under State conciliation, etc. legislation ..	0.7	0.7	15.8	1.7	6.6	3.3
Reference to State Government officials ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Federal and joint federal-state legislation -						
Industrial tribunals under -						
Conciliation and Arbitration Act	21.2	26.1	5.1	3.7	1.7	7.1
Coal industry acts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stevedoring Industry Act	-	-	-	-	-	-
Other acts	-	-	-	-	-	-
Reference to Federal Government officials ..	-	-	-	-	-	-
Filling the spaces of workers on strike or						
locked out	0.1	-	-	-	-	-
Resumption without negotiation	24.8	7.4	27.0	4.9	20.1	35.8
Total	88.5	40.6	62.2	26.7	35.4	59.8

(a) The statistics relate only to disputes involving stoppages of work of 10 man-days or more

(b) Disputes settled in any one particular year.

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October Weekly Earnings and Hours Surveys

General: The first survey of weekly earnings and hours was conducted by the Australian Bureau of Statistics in October 1962. Subsequent surveys have been conducted each year for the last pay-period in October, or where abnormal circumstances affected the last October pay-period, for the nearest normal pay-period. The survey is based on a stratified random sample representing most employers paying payroll tax (i.e. those paying more than \$5 000 monthly in wages and salaries at the 1979 October Survey). The following are excluded from the survey: (i) employees in rural industry and private domestic service; and (ii) employees of religious, benevolent and similar organisations. Employees of government and semi-government authorities were included in the survey for the first time in October 1972. Waterside workers, if hired under the permanent employment scheme, are included; however, when employed on a casual basis they are excluded. The industrial classification used for all surveys, except the 1962, 1974 and later surveys, is that used for the 1961 and 1966 population censuses; for 1974 and subsequent surveys the Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC) 1969 version was used. Only broad general comparisons can be made between the 1971 results and subsequent surveys. The October 1965 survey was a special purpose survey, restricted to weekly earnings of full-time adult males.

Scope of Information: In addition to obtaining data for the calculation of average weekly earnings, average weekly hours paid for, and average hourly earnings, the October surveys obtained information on overtime and ordinary time earnings and hours for full-time employees (other than managerial, etc. staff). Figures of average overtime earnings and average overtime hours are the averages for all employees (in the specified category) represented in the survey whether or not they worked overtime. The survey figures do not show the average overtime earnings or hours of only those employees who worked overtime. Average weekly earnings, hours paid for and average hourly earnings are shown for adult and junior males and females.

Comparability of Results: The following are the main factors affecting comparability of survey results: (i) allocation of employees between 'managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff' and 'all other full-time employees' depends upon the employers' interpretation of the definitions; (ii) in the 1962, 1963 and 1964 surveys, employees whose hours of work were not known were reported in managerial, etc. but in the 1966, 1967 and 1968 surveys, employers were asked to report these employees in their correct classification; (iii) sampling variability; (iv) the different industrial classification used for the 1962 surveys; and (v) inclusion of employees in non-government hospitals not subject to payroll tax and of government and semi-government authority employees (previously excluded) from 1972. For results of surveys prior to October 1974 see earlier issues of this bulletin.

- Definitions:**
- (i) Employees: male and female employees who worked during the survey pay-period in October.
 - (ii) Adults: all employees 21 years of age and over and employees under 21 receiving the adult rate for their occupations.
 - (iii) Juniors: employees under 21 not paid at the adult rate for their occupation.
 - (iv) Full-time employees: those employees who normally work 30 hours or more a week and received pay in the survey pay-period in October.
 - (v) Part-time employees: those employees who normally work less than 30 hours a week and received pay in the survey pay-period in October.
 - (vi) Other than managerial, etc. staff: comprises minor supervisory employees, leading hands, clerical and office staff and ordinary wage employees. It excludes 'managerial, etc. staff' who were not further defined.
 - (vii) Weekly earnings: gross earnings, before taxation and other deductions have been made, for the survey pay-period in October. Includes overtime earnings, shift allowances, penalty rates, commission and similar payments and that part of sick, annual or long service leave taken during the specified pay-period. Includes one week's proportion of payments made on other than a weekly basis. Retrospective payments are excluded.
 - (viii) Overtime earnings: that part of gross weekly earnings for hours paid for in excess of award, standard, or agreed hours of work.
 - (ix) Ordinary time earnings: that part of gross weekly earnings paid for award, standard or agreed hours of work. Includes shift allowances, penalty rates, commissions, bonuses, incentive payments and that part of paid annual or other leave relating to these hours.
 - (x) Weekly man-hours paid for: sum of man-hours for which payment was made. Includes ordinary time hours, overtime hours, paid standby or reporting time and that part of paid annual, sick or long service leave and paid holidays taken during the specified week.
 - (xi) Overtime hours: hours in excess of award, standard or agreed hours of work.
 - (xii) Ordinary time hours: award, standard or agreed hours of work. Includes man-hours of standby or reporting time which are part of standard hours of work and that part of paid annual, sick and long service leave taken during the specified week.

Average Weekly Earnings per Employed Male Unit

The figures relate to civilians only. They are derived from particulars of employment and wages and salaries recorded on payroll tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. Particulars of wages and salaries for males and females separately are not available from payroll tax returns. Average weekly earnings are calculated in terms of 'male units', that is, for calculating the Tasmanian average the divisor is male employees plus a percentage of female employees which varies during each year. At the end of the June quarter 1980 it was 65 per cent. This proportion was derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Tasmania. Quarterly figures are subject to seasonal influences; special payments, bonuses and prepayments for holidays tend to raise December quarter figures and depress March quarter figures.

WAGES AND HOURS

These figures are not comparable with those derived from the annual October Survey of Weekly Earnings and Hours (see preceding section 'Weekly Earnings and Hours'). Average weekly earnings per employed male unit are estimates of the actual average weekly earnings of all wage earners and salaried employees.

Weighted Average Minimum Weekly and Hourly Wage Rates

Wage rates used to compile the index are the minimum rates prescribed for particular occupations in federal or state awards and in registered (and in some cases unregistered) agreements. For some occupations, general loadings are included; however, loadings not applicable to all workers in a specified award occupation are excluded from the wage rates. The rates are normally referred to as 'weighted average minimum weekly rates'.

The minimum wage rates used in compilation of the indexes are for representative occupations within each industry. They are derived from representative awards, determinations and agreements in force at the end of each period.

Indexes are based on the occupational structure existing in 1954. The appropriate weights were derived from sample surveys made in that year. Occupations in new or expanding industries are normally covered by existing awards. However, when a new award is made to cover a new industry this award is incorporated into the index if the number of employees warrants such action. The occupations included in the indexes are therefore representative of the current situation and are comparable over a long period.

The amounts should not be regarded as actual current averages but as indexes expressed in money and hour terms, indicative of trends. The amounts do not measure the relative level of wage rates or hours as between states.

Invalid Comparison: The 'weighted average minimum weekly wage rates' are not comparable with 'average weekly earnings per employed male unit'. For an explanation of the latter concept see the previous section.

Federal Awards, etc.: Includes awards of, or agreements registered with, the Australian Conciliation and Arbitration Commission and determinations of the Australian Public Service Arbitrator.

State Awards, etc.: Includes awards or determinations of, or agreements registered with, the Tasmanian Industrial Boards (Tasmanian Wages Boards prior to 1976) and the Tasmanian Public Service Board.

Basic Wages

The concept of a 'basic' or 'living' wage was common to wage rates determined by industrial authorities in Australia before an award of the Federal Conciliation and Arbitration Commission in June 1967 introduced the 'total wage' concept. (Tasmanian State Industrial Boards, however, have retained the basic wage in their determinations.)

Total Wages

The June 1967 decision handed down by the Federal Conciliation and Arbitration Commission abolished the concept of the basic wage in federal awards. The basic wage and margins were replaced by a 'total wage' which became operative from the first pay-period commencing on or after 1 July 1967. The 'minimum wage' concept (see following section) introduced by the Commission in July 1966 was retained.

Minimum Wages

In its July 1966 decision, the Commission ordered that the 'minimum wage' paid under the Metal Trades Award should include a margin of \$3.75 above the appropriate basic wage. The minimum wage was expressed as a total wage. In July 1967 Tasmanian Wages Boards adopted a similar concept.

Minimum Rates of Wages and Prescribed Hours of Work for Specified Occupations

These have been taken from awards, determinations and agreements of industrial tribunals and from unregistered agreements operative at 31 December. The wage rates and hours are generally those applicable to Hobart, but where this is not so the area of the State to which they apply is indicated in a footnote. Where two or more rates are quoted in an award, determination or agreement for a particular occupation, only the lower (or lowest) rate for each occupation has been quoted. In the majority of cases, the rates quoted are those payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime). Where it is not possible to quote such rates; hourly rates have been shown. For most occupations the hours constituting a full week's work (excluding overtime) are 40; where the hours prescribed differ from 40 they are shown in the footnotes to the table.

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OCTOBER WEEKLY EARNINGS AND HOURS SURVEYS

TABLE 12. AVERAGE WEEKLY ORDINARY TIME, OVERTIME EARNINGS AND HOURS (a) PRIVATE AND TOTAL EMPLOYMENT FOR FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES (OTHER THAN MANAGERIAL, ETC. STAFF) (b): ALL INDUSTRIES (c), TASMANIA

Survey pay-period in October	Males				Females			
	Adults		Juniors		Adults		Juniors	
	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for
PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT: AVERAGE WEEKLY ORDINARY TIME EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR								
1974	122.10	39.0	67.10	38.9	93.80	38.5	57.50	39.0
1975	140.10	38.6	82.40	38.7	115.50	37.7	75.60	38.8
1976	160.40	38.8	96.20	39.1	132.20	38.5	85.20	39.0
1977	183.30	38.6	104.20	39.2	150.40	38.3	98.40	39.0
1978	190.60	38.4	109.90	39.1	155.80	37.8	99.60	38.8
1979	216.00	39.0	122.80	39.0	173.70	38.6	106.30	39.0
PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT: AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR								
1974	14.30	2.8	3.80	1.3	2.20	0.6	1.50	0.7
1975	13.40	2.3	3.40	0.9	3.40	0.7	2.40	0.7
1976	15.20	2.3	3.90	0.9	4.00	0.7	2.40	0.7
1977	14.10	1.9	3.80	0.9	2.80	0.5	1.80	0.5
1978	16.80	2.1	5.00	1.1	3.90	0.6	2.50	0.7
1979	17.50	2.0	5.90	1.1	2.30	0.3	2.10	0.5
PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT: AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR								
1974	136.40	41.7	70.80	40.2	96.00	39.1	59.00	39.7
1975	153.50	40.9	85.80	39.7	118.70	38.4	77.90	39.5
1976	175.60	41.1	100.10	40.0	136.20	39.2	87.70	39.7
1977	197.50	40.5	108.00	40.0	153.20	38.8	100.20	39.5
1978	207.40	40.5	114.90	40.2	159.70	38.4	102.10	39.5
1979	233.50	41.0	128.70	40.1	176.00	38.9	108.40	39.5
TOTAL (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) EMPLOYMENT: AVERAGE WEEKLY ORDINARY TIME EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR								
1974	128.90	38.7	69.40	38.8	118.00	37.7	63.80	38.6
1975	149.50	38.4	83.20	38.4	135.40	37.3	80.10	38.4
1976	170.10	38.5	97.70	39.0	152.10	37.9	91.10	38.8
1977	191.80	38.3	106.60	39.0	165.00	37.6	104.50	38.8
1978	200.30	38.2	113.30	38.9	181.50	37.4	108.00	38.6
1979	222.30	38.6	124.80	38.8	198.10	37.8	117.90	38.7
TOTAL (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) EMPLOYMENT: AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR								
1974	11.70	2.2	3.30	1.1	1.90	0.5	1.30	0.5
1975	11.10	1.9	3.00	0.8	2.70	0.5	2.30	0.7
1976	12.80	1.9	3.50	0.8	3.00	0.5	2.10	0.6
1977	11.50	1.5	3.80	0.9	2.20	0.3	1.60	0.4
1978	14.10	1.7	4.30	1.0	2.60	0.4	2.10	0.5
1979	14.40	1.6	4.90	0.9	1.90	0.2	1.70	0.4
TOTAL (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) EMPLOYMENT: AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR								
1974	140.60	41.0	72.80	39.9	119.90	38.2	65.00	39.1
1975	160.60	40.3	86.20	39.3	138.10	37.8	82.40	39.1
1976	182.90	40.4	101.20	39.8	155.10	38.4	93.20	39.4
1977	203.30	39.8	110.40	39.9	167.10	38.0	106.20	39.2
1978	214.50	40.0	117.60	39.9	184.10	37.8	110.20	39.1
1979	236.70	40.2	129.80	39.7	200.00	38.0	119.50	39.1

- (a) Average overtime and ordinary time earnings and hours are averages for all employees represented in the surveys, whether or not they worked overtime.
 (b) Excludes managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff.
 (c) Excludes rural industry and private domestic service.

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TABLE 13. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS, PRIVATE EMPLOYMENT,
FULL-TIME MANAGERIAL, EXECUTIVE, ETC. STAFF (a) : MALES, TASMANIA
(\$)

Survey pay-period in October	Manufacturing	Non-manufacturing (b)	All industries (b)	
			Amount	Percentage increase (c)
1974	196.20	173.50	181.60	21.5
1975	227.50	205.60	213.10	17.3
1976	259.30	242.40	247.90	16.3
1977	279.70	269.70	272.90	10.1
1978	310.70	278.70	291.20	6.7
1979	335.70	313.20	321.90	10.5

- (a) Private employees only. Includes managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff. The allocation between 'Managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff' and 'All other full-time employees' depends upon the employers' interpretation of the definitions.
(b) Excludes rural industry and private domestic service.
(c) Over previous year.

TABLE 14. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR (a) TOTAL (PRIVATE AND GOVERNMENT) EMPLOYMENT,
FULL-TIME EMPLOYEES (OTHER THAN MANAGERIAL, ETC. STAFF) (b): ADULT MALES BY INDUSTRIES (c), TASMANIA

Survey pay-period in October	Manufacturing						Non- manufacturing		All industries	
	Metal products machinery and equipment		Other		Total manufacturing					
	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for	Weekly earnings (\$)	Average hours paid for
AVERAGE WEEKLY ORDINARY TIME EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR										
1974	137.40	39.7	119.20	39.0	125.60	39.2	130.60	38.5	128.90	38.7
1975	156.00	38.9	132.70	38.6	140.10	38.7	153.70	38.2	149.50	38.4
1976	171.70	39.5	156.40	38.7	161.10	38.9	174.20	38.3	170.10	38.5
1977	199.90	36.8	176.00	39.0	184.20	38.2	195.50	38.3	191.80	38.3
1978	194.40	38.2	185.20	38.7	187.70	38.6	205.40	38.1	200.30	38.2
1979	219.60	38.5	208.50	39.2	211.80	39.0	226.70	38.4	222.30	38.6
AVERAGE WEEKLY OVERTIME EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR										
1974	17.50	3.1	13.30	2.6	14.80	2.8	10.10	2.0	11.70	2.2
1975	13.20	2.3	11.90	2.2	12.30	2.3	10.50	1.7	11.10	1.9
1976	13.40	1.9	13.20	2.1	13.30	2.0	12.60	1.9	12.80	1.9
1977	17.80	2.3	13.50	1.9	15.00	2.0	9.80	1.3	11.50	1.5
1978	21.20	2.5	19.70	2.6	20.10	2.6	11.80	1.4	14.10	1.7
1979	21.40	2.4	18.90	2.2	19.60	2.3	12.20	1.3	14.40	1.6
AVERAGE WEEKLY TOTAL EARNINGS AND HOURS PAID FOR										
1974	154.90	42.8	132.60	41.6	140.40	42.0	140.80	40.5	140.60	41.0
1975	169.20	41.2	144.70	40.8	152.40	41.0	164.20	39.9	160.60	40.3
1976	185.10	41.4	169.60	40.8	174.30	41.0	186.80	40.2	182.90	40.4
1977	217.70	39.1	189.50	40.8	199.20	40.2	205.30	39.6	203.30	39.8
1978	215.70	40.8	204.80	41.3	207.80	41.2	217.10	39.5	214.50	40.0
1979	241.00	40.9	227.40	41.4	231.40	41.3	238.80	39.8	236.70	40.2

- (a) Average overtime and ordinary time earnings and hours are averages for all employees represented in the surveys, whether or not they worked overtime.
(b) Excludes managerial, executive, professional and higher supervisory staff.
(c) Excludes rural industry and private domestic service.

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT

TABLE 15. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT: ORIGINAL SERIES, TASMANIA (a)
(\$)

Year	Quarter ending -				Average for year	Year	Quarter ending -				Average for year
	Sept.	Dec.	Mar.	June			Sept.	Dec.	Mar.	June	
1972-73	90.80	99.30	88.70	102.00	95.20	1976-77	175.60	188.70	175.10	185.50	181.20
1973-74	102.40	(b)117.20	101.60	121.10	110.60	1977-78	195.90	204.80	194.00	201.10	199.00
1974-75	127.80	146.70	135.30	151.40	140.30	1978-79	205.50	214.50	208.50	217.80	211.60
1975-76	150.30	164.70	151.20	165.10	157.80	1979-80	229.30	239.70	235.40	247.30	237.90

PERCENTAGE INCREASE (c)

1978-79	4.9	4.7	7.5	8.3	6.3	1979-80	11.6	11.7	12.9	13.5	12.4
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- (a) Not comparable with average weekly earnings details given in the previous section 'October Weekly Earnings and Hours Surveys'. See explanatory notes on pages 15 and 16 for method of calculation from payroll tax returns.
(b) Affected by increased holiday prepayments to teachers and retrospective State Public Service increases as well as normal seasonal influences.
(c) Over corresponding quarter of previous year, or over previous year, as appropriate.

TABLE 16. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS FOR EMPLOYED MALE UNIT: SEASONALLY ADJUSTED SERIES, TASMANIA (a)
(\$)

Year	Quarter ending -				Year	Quarter ending -			
	Sept.	Dec.	Mar.	June		Sept.	Dec.	Mar.	June
1972-73	93.90	93.60	94.50	100.10	1976-77	176.40	178.50	183.70	187.70
1973-74	104.90	(b)110.60	108.10	119.80	1977-78	193.80	196.40	201.80	203.80
1974-75	131.00	(c)137.70	(c)144.40	149.60	1978-79	206.20	206.00	217.80	219.60
1975-76	151.80	154.60	156.20	167.10	1979-80	227.70	232.40	241.40	253.80

PERCENTAGE INCREASE OVER CORRESPONDING QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR

1978-79	6.4	4.9	7.9	7.8	1979-80	10.4	12.8	10.8	15.6
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- (a) See explanatory notes on pages 15 and 16.
(b) Affected by increased holiday prepayments to teachers and retrospective State Public Service increases.
(c) Adjusted to allow for prepayments normally made to State Government employees in December quarter but held over until March quarter.

NOTE: The estimates above are based on sample and are subject to sampling errors. The reliability of the estimates as measured by 'standard error' is outlined in the bulletin Earnings and Hours of Employees (Catalogue no. 6304.0).

WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY AND HOURLY WAGE RATES

TABLE 17. WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES, FEDERAL AND STATE AWARDS: ADULT MALES, TASMANIA (a)
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End of -	Federal awards, etc.	State awards, etc.	All awards, etc.	End of -	Federal awards, etc.	State awards, etc.	All awards, etc.
1939 - December	9.02	9.52	9.22	1979 - June r	166.15	163.75	165.42
1945 - December	11.28	11.97	11.56	July	166.30	163.81	165.54
1955 - December	28.75	30.27	29.36	August	166.30	164.09	165.63
1960 - December	34.87	35.62	35.15	September	166.67	164.09	165.88
1965 - December	40.21	41.52	40.73	October	166.67	164.09	165.88
1970 - December	53.61	55.84	54.49	November	167.84	164.09	166.69
1975 - December	118.23	115.09	117.27	December	167.94	164.34	166.84
1976 - June	129.10	127.97	128.75	1980 - January	175.50	171.68	174.33
December	134.48	133.37	134.14	February	175.50	171.82	174.38
1977 - June	142.85	141.70	142.50	March	176.63	171.87	175.18
December	147.84	147.01	147.58	April	176.77	171.89	175.28
1978 - June	152.70	151.19	152.24	May	176.77	172.00	175.31
December r	160.20	157.02	159.23	June	176.77	172.15	175.36

- (a) Excludes rural; see explanatory notes on page 16. Figures after December 1978 are subject to revision.

TABLE 18. WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME)

AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS, ETC. (a) : ADULT MALES, TASMANIA

(\$)

Industry group	End of -										
	June 1975	December 1975	June 1976	December 1976	June 1977	December 1977	June 1978	December 1978	June 1979	December 1979	June 1980
Mining and quarrying (b)	119.78	129.14	140.53	146.07	154.59	159.75	164.04	r 166.77	r 170.71	171.84	181.07
Manufacturing -											
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc. ..	107.46	111.09	122.61	127.77	135.94	141.24	145.16	r 152.02	r 160.32	162.99	170.12
Textiles, clothing and footwear ..	97.34	104.86	115.02	120.12	128.20	132.75	136.48	141.97	146.53	146.53	153.10
Food, drink and tobacco	105.69	113.00	124.62	129.61	139.00	143.93	148.06	r 154.12	r 159.93	160.70	168.23
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	102.87	106.46	117.27	122.41	130.55	135.16	138.94	144.69	149.30	149.30	162.09
Paper, printing, etc.	111.70	115.62	126.65	131.99	140.30	145.25	149.35	155.32	r 160.62	160.62	167.84
Other manufacturing	102.75	107.97	118.89	124.11	132.23	136.94	141.00	147.43	r 152.16	155.87	164.00
Total all manufacturing groups ..	105.86	110.57	121.78	126.94	135.31	140.28	144.25	r 150.56	r 156.80	158.40	166.52
Building and construction	114.92	119.26	130.21	135.62	143.74	148.67	153.70	r 162.75	r 168.23	170.34	179.11
Railway services	104.44	107.98	118.03	123.12	131.20	135.74	143.55	149.78	r 164.41	166.80	174.32
Road and air transport	111.91	115.81	127.28	132.61	140.93	145.91	150.04	r 158.54	r 164.29	164.29	172.77
Shipping and stevedoring	138.56	143.42	157.50	163.68	172.42	178.50	183.39	190.73	196.17	197.47	206.45
Communication	133.22	137.88	150.90	156.83	165.67	171.48	176.46	r 182.82	r 191.21	192.54	201.23
Wholesale and retail trade	114.85	118.85	130.92	136.44	144.92	150.05	155.53	r 163.29	r 168.53	168.82	177.59
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	123.72	128.12	142.73	148.82	157.62	163.00	167.66	174.31	179.71	179.71	188.38
Amusement, hotels, personal services, etc.	100.18	103.52	113.96	119.41	127.49	132.98	136.65	142.97	r 147.61	147.61	158.26
Total all industry groups (c) ..	112.59	117.27	128.75	134.14	142.50	147.58	152.24	r 159.23	r 165.42	166.84	175.36

(a) The wage rates shown in this table should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms that are indicative of trends. Figures after December 1978 are subject to revision.

(b) For mining the wage rates include lead bonuses.

(c) Excludes rural.

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TABLE 19. WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATES PAYABLE (a) : ADULT MALES, TASMANIA

(Cents)

Industry group	End of -										
	June 1975	December 1975	June 1976	December 1976	June 1977	December 1977	June 1978	December 1978	June 1979	December 1979	June 1980
Mining and quarrying (b)	306.21	330.14	359.26	373.40	395.19	r 408.37	r 419.34	r 426.32	r 436.39	439.30	462.89
Manufacturing -											
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc. ..	268.64	277.72	306.51	319.43	339.84	r 353.10	362.90	r 380.04	r 400.79	407.49	425.29
Textiles, clothing and footwear ..	243.36	262.14	287.55	300.29	320.51	r 331.88	341.21	354.91	366.31	366.31	382.76
Food, drink and tobacco	264.22	282.50	311.55	324.02	347.50	r 359.81	r 370.14	r 385.30	r 399.82	401.74	420.58
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	257.18	266.15	293.17	306.03	326.37	r 337.89	r 347.34	r 361.73	373.25	373.25	405.23
Paper, printing, etc.	279.25	289.04	316.62	329.99	350.76	r 363.12	r 373.36	r 388.29	r 401.55	401.55	419.60
Other manufacturing	257.08	270.15	297.48	310.53	330.84	r 342.63	r 352.79	r 368.89	r 380.71	389.99	410.33
Total all manufacturing groups ..	264.68	276.46	304.48	317.39	338.32	r 350.74	r 360.66	r 376.44	r 392.04	396.04	416.35
Building and construction	287.31	298.16	325.53	338.05	359.34	r 371.68	r 384.26	r 406.87	r 420.59	425.86	447.78
Railway services	261.09	269.95	295.09	307.80	328.00	r 339.35	r 358.87	r 374.44	r 411.02	416.99	435.79
Road and air transport	279.78	289.52	318.19	331.53	352.33	r 364.77	375.10	r 396.34	r 410.72	410.72	431.92
Communication	339.96	351.85	389.10	404.40	427.20	r 449.23	r 462.29	r 478.94	r 500.92	504.40	527.17
Wholesale and retail trade	287.13	297.11	327.31	341.11	362.30	r 375.13	r 388.81	r 408.24	r 421.33	422.06	443.98
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	314.11	325.29	362.38	377.84	400.17	r 413.83	r 425.67	r 442.55	456.27	456.27	478.28
Amusement, hotels, personal services, etc.	250.45	258.80	284.91	298.51	318.71	r 332.44	r 341.63	r 357.43	r 369.01	369.01	395.65
Total all industry groups (c) ..	278.19	289.89	318.39	331.76	352.66	r 365.47	r 377.11	r 394.58	r 410.22	413.81	435.10

(a) The hourly wage rates shown in this table should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms that are indicative of trends. Figures after December 1978 are subject to revision.

(b) For mining the wage rates include lead bonuses.

(c) Excludes rural, shipping and stevedoring.

TABLE 20. WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM WEEKLY WAGE RATES PAYABLE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (EXCLUDING OVERTIME)

AS PRESCRIBED IN AWARDS, DETERMINATIONS, ETC. (a): ADULT FEMALES, TASMANIA

(\$)

Industry group	End of -										
	June 1975	December 1975	June 1976	December 1976	June 1977	December 1977	June 1978	December 1978	June 1979	December 1979	June 1980
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc. ..	103.46	107.05	117.43	122.56	130.70	r 135.34	139.14	r 146.41	151.07	153.54	160.42
Textiles, clothing and footwear	92.44	95.67	110.51	115.50	123.50	r 127.90	131.50	136.79	r 141.30	141.30	147.63
Food, drink and tobacco	99.32	105.07	115.41	120.49	128.61	r 133.18	r 138.09	r 143.62	148.23	148.23	154.99
Other manufacturing	99.59	103.09	112.98	118.03	126.09	r 130.55	r 134.25	r 139.62	144.09	144.09	152.08
Total all manufacturing groups ..	96.79	100.93	113.16	118.21	126.27	r 130.76	r 134.83	r 140.40	r 144.96	145.20	151.96
Transport and communication	113.79	117.79	128.80	134.50	142.78	r 147.71	r 151.79	r 154.57	r 159.52	159.52	166.71
Wholesale and retail trade	106.18	109.91	120.76	125.98	134.20	r 138.98	r 143.07	r 148.94	153.72	153.72	160.65
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	106.37	113.32	124.29	130.50	138.79	r 143.71	147.78	153.69	158.61	158.61	165.74
Amusement, hotels, personal services, etc.	93.18	99.79	110.28	115.28	123.28	r 127.67	r 131.26	r 138.22	r 143.48	143.48	152.93
Total all industry groups (b) ..	101.04	105.56	116.94	122.15	130.28	r 134.91	r 138.92	r 144.66	r 149.43	149.53	156.75

- (a) The wage rates shown in this table should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms that are indicative of trends. Figures after December 1978 are subject to revision.
- (b) Excludes rural, mining and quarrying and building and construction.

TABLE 21. WEIGHTED AVERAGE MINIMUM HOURLY WAGE RATES PAYABLE (a): ADULT FEMALES, TASMANIA

(Cents)

Industry group	End of -										
	June 1975	December 1975	June 1976	December 1976	June 1977	December 1977	June 1978	December 1978	June 1979	December 1979	June 1980
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc. ..	258.65	267.61	293.57	306.41	326.75	r 338.34	347.85	r 366.02	377.68	383.84	401.05
Textiles, clothing and footwear	231.10	239.18	276.27	288.76	308.75	r 319.74	328.75	341.97	r 353.25	353.25	369.07
Food, drink and tobacco	248.30	262.68	288.51	301.23	321.51	r 332.96	r 345.23	r 359.04	370.57	370.57	387.48
Other manufacturing	248.97	257.71	282.44	295.08	315.22	r 326.36	r 335.62	r 349.05	360.21	360.21	380.21
Total all manufacturing groups ..	241.97	252.33	282.91	295.52	315.67	r 326.89	r 337.07	r 351.01	r 362.40	363.01	379.89
Transport and communication	313.65	324.65	355.00	370.72	393.54	r 407.14	418.36	r 426.04	r 439.68	439.68	459.48
Wholesale and retail trade	265.46	274.77	301.91	314.96	335.51	r 347.44	r 357.67	r 372.36	384.31	384.31	401.61
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	282.34	300.79	329.89	346.37	368.40	r 381.44	r 392.26	r 407.94	421.00	421.00	439.93
Amusement, hotels, personal services, etc.	233.68	250.25	276.57	289.10	309.17	r 320.19	r 329.17	r 346.63	r 359.83	359.83	383.53
Total all industry groups (b) ..	254.99	266.39	295.11	308.27	328.79	r 340.46	r 350.59	r 365.07	r 377.11	377.36	395.59

- (a) The hourly wage rates shown in this table should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms that are indicative of trends. Figures after December 1978 are subject to revision.
- (b) Excludes rural, mining and quarrying and building and construction.

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BASIC, TOTAL AND MINIMUM WAGES

TABLE 22. STATE BASIC WAGE RATES (a) : HOBART

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Date operative (b)	Adult males	Adult females	Date operative (b)	Adult males and females
1972 19 May	41.00	31.90	1977 22 August	71.30
1973 29 May	43.50	34.40	1977 12 December	72.40
1974 23 May	46.00	36.90	1978 28 February	73.50
1975 15 May	47.70	38.20	1978 7 June	74.50
1976 15 May		58.20	1978 12 December	77.50
1976 22 November		62.90	1979 27 June	80.00
1977 31 March		68.60	1980 4 January	83.60
1977 24 May		69.90	1980 14 July	87.10

(a) State Industrial Boards have retained the basic wage concept.

(b) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month shown or commencing on or after the date shown.

TABLE 23. FEDERAL TOTAL WAGE : INCREASES IN WEEKLY WAGE RATES (a)

Date operative (b)	Adult males and females	Date operative (b)	Adult males and females
1973 29 May	2 per cent plus \$2.50	1977 24 May	(e) 1.9 per cent
1974 23 May	2 per cent plus \$2.50	1977 22 August	2.0 per cent
1975 15 May	3.6 per cent	1977 12 December	1.5 per cent
1975 18 September	3.5 per cent	1978 28 February	(f) 1.5 per cent
1976 15 February	6.4 per cent	1978 7 June	1.3 per cent
1976 15 May	(c) 3.0 per cent	1978 12 December	4.0 per cent
1976 15 August	(d) 1.5 per cent	1979 27 June	3.2 per cent
1976 22 November	2.2 per cent	1980 4 January	4.5 per cent
1977 31 March	\$5.70	1980 14 July	4.2 per cent

(a) The 1 July 1967 decision of the Federal Conciliation and Arbitration Commission introduced the total wage concept and eliminated the basic wage and margins from its awards; the last federal basic wage award was on 11 July 1966 - \$33.40 for adult males and \$25.05 for adult females.

(b) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown.

(c) Increase of 3 per cent up to a maximum of \$3.80 per week.

(d) \$2.50 for wage rates up to \$166 per week, 1.5 per cent for wage rates over \$166 per week.

(e) Increase of 1.9 per cent up to a maximum of \$3.80 per week.

(f) Increase of 1.5 per cent up to a maximum of \$2.60 per week.

TABLE 24. MINIMUM WAGE, ADULT MALES, WEEKLY RATES : FEDERAL AND TASMANIAN AWARDS

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Federal awards: Hobart		State Industrial Boards' determinations	
Date operative (a)	Amount	Date operative (a)	Amount
1976 22 November	101.30	1976 22 November	102.30
1977 31 March	107.00	1977 31 March	108.00
1977 24 May	109.00	1977 24 May	110.10
1977 22 August	111.20	1977 22 August	112.30
1977 12 December	112.90	1977 12 December	114.00
1978 28 February	114.60	1978 28 February	115.70
1978 7 June	116.10	1978 7 June	117.20
1978 12 December	120.70	1978 12 December	121.90
1979 27 June	124.60	1979 27 June	125.80
1980 4 January	130.20	1980 4 January	131.50
1980 14 July	135.70	1980 14 July	137.00

(a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown.

NOTE: Minimum Wage for Adult Females: In the 1974 National Wage Case decision the Federal Conciliation and Arbitration Commission extended the minimum wage award provisions to adult females. The extension was made in three steps: (i) from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 23 May 1974, 85 per cent of the adult male minimum wage; (ii) from the beginning of the pay-period in which 30 September 1974 occurred, 90 per cent; and (iii) 100 per cent from the beginning of the pay-period in which 30 June 1975 occurred.

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MINIMUM RATES OF WAGES IN SELECTED OCCUPATIONS

TABLE 25. MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (a) (EXCLUDING OVERTIME)

IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND OCCUPATIONS, HOBART: ADULT MALES

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Industry	Occupation	At 31 December		At 30 June 1979	
		1977	1978		
PRIMARY PRODUCTION (b)					
Dairying	General hand (c)	125.60	134.40	138.70	
Farming (general)	General hand (c)	125.60	134.40	138.70	
Forestry	General forestry worker	130.80	140.40	145.70	
Fruit picking	Labourer, picker (c)	124.70	133.30	137.60	
Grazing -	General station hand (c) (d) ..	127.60	136.50	140.90	
	Shearers: per 100 flock sheep (e) ..	57.70	61.48	68.13	
	Shed hand (e)	172.00	179.00	198.30	
Timber getting	Faller	139.30	145.50	150.20	
MINING AND QUARRYING (b)					
Metalliferous mining (f) -	Fitter	169.80	177.20	191.10	
	Labourer	r 123.20	131.90	144.10	
	Miner	155.90	161.00	175.70	
	Mullocker	134.80	136.50	150.40	
	Timberman	r 150.80	161.00	175.70	
Quarrying -	Trucker	r 127.80	136.50	150.40	
	Labourer	134.50	143.90	148.50	
	Spaller	134.50	143.90	148.50	
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES, ETC.					
Engineering (general) -	Boilermaker	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Electrical fitter	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Fitter and/or turner	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Jobbing moulder	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Labourer	115.50	128.60	140.00	
	Machinist, 1st class	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Machinist, 2nd class	130.50	146.80	159.00	
	Motor mechanic	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Process worker	121.90	135.50	146.30	
	Sheet metal worker, 1st class ..	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Toolmaker	151.00	175.00	189.90	
	Tradesman's assistant	121.80	137.60	149.20	
	Welder, 1st class	144.00	164.40	179.00	
	Railway workshops -	Car and wagon builder	150.80	158.85	163.75
		Car cleaner	125.30	148.50	153.30
Fitter and/or turner		150.30	160.15	165.15	
Labourer		119.70	127.40	131.30	
Tradesman's assistant		126.40	134.70	138.90	
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR					
Clothing trades (readymade) -	Cutter	142.70	151.90	156.80	
	Presser	139.30	145.50	150.20	
	Tailor	139.60	149.50	154.00	
Footwear -	Clicking section	130.30	139.40	143.90	
	Finishing section	128.30	137.20	141.60	
Textiles (woollen)	Assistant foreman	140.60	150.30	155.10	
	Gillbox attendant	127.70	136.60	141.00	
	Labourer	123.30	131.80	136.00	
	Loom tuner	131.40	140.50	145.00	
	Weaver	124.70	133.40	137.70	
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO					
Aerated water and cordials -	General hand	r 114.00	121.90	125.80	
	Truck driver (truck over 1.2 and up to 3 tonnes)	145.30	155.70	160.70	
Bacon curing -	Boner	170.70	182.60	188.50	
	Slaughterman	169.60	181.40	187.20	
Baking (bread) -	Bread carter	145.50	155.70	160.70	
	Doughmaker	174.30	186.40	192.40	
Brewing -	General hand	r 158.30	169.30	174.70	
	Truck driver	r 169.20	180.90	186.70	
Butter, cheese and milk processing -	Butter maker	143.70	153.70	158.60	
	General hand	128.20	137.10	141.50	
	Grader and/or tester	142.30	152.20	157.10	
Confectionery -	Confectioner - Group 1	151.30	161.80	167.00	
	Confectioner - Group 2	143.50	153.50	158.40	
	Miller	151.80	168.60	174.00	
Flour milling -	Storeman	133.00	151.70	156.60	
Jam, fruit and vegetable preserving	General hand	133.20	142.50	147.10	
Meat industry -	Labourer, beef or mutton	r 137.40	147.10	151.80	
	Slaughterman - Beef	187.30	200.10	206.50	
	Mutton	180.10	192.50	198.70	

Footnotes appear at the end of the table.

WAGES AND HOURS

TABLE 25. MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (a) (EXCLUDING OVERTIME)
IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND OCCUPATIONS, HOBART: ADULT MALES - continued
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Industry	Occupation	At 31 December		At 30 June 1979
		1977	1978	
SAWMILLING, FURNITURE, ETC.				
Sawmilling and timber yards -	Benchman No. 1	149.20	159.50	164.60
	Dockerman and tallyman	121.30	129.70	133.90
	Labourer	117.10	125.20	129.20
	Machinist - A grade	149.20	159.50	164.60
	B grade	132.20	141.30	145.80
	Orderman	128.40	138.30	142.70
	Puller out	121.30	129.70	133.90
	Sawyer - Band or jig	129.40	138.30	142.70
	Circular	132.20	141.30	145.80
Timber stacker	121.30	129.70	133.90	
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.				
Printing (general) -	Bookbinder	150.10	160.60	170.90
	General hand	124.30	133.00	137.30
	Compositor - Hand	150.10	160.60	183.80
	Machine	157.10	168.10	
	Letterpress rotary machinist	150.10	160.60	173.50
Printing (newspapers) (g) -	Storeman	134.40	143.70	148.30
	Assistant machinist	154.90	165.60	170.90
	Hand compositor	190.60	203.50	210.00
	Machine compositor	196.60	210.00	216.70
	Proof reader	190.60	203.50	210.00
Pulp, paper and board making -	Publishing hand	158.10	169.10	174.50
	Beaterman	165.40	176.90	182.60
	Bundler, baler	141.50	151.30	156.10
	Fitter	162.90	174.10	179.70
	Reelerman	143.00	152.90	157.80
	Tradesman's assistant	141.00	150.60	155.40
	Yardman	137.60	147.20	151.90
OTHER MANUFACTURING				
Brick making -	Burner	142.90	152.80	157.70
	Drawer	142.90	152.80	157.70
	Labourer	139.30	148.90	153.70
	Setter	142.90	152.80	157.70
Cement goods making -	Cement brickmaker	141.80	151.70	156.50
	Moulder	141.80	151.70	156.50
Cement making -	Cement miller	140.10	150.10	154.90
	Labourer	130.81	139.10	144.70
Electricity generation and supply-	Electrical fitter	148.90	158.90	174.90
	Fitter and/or turner	148.90	158.90	176.60
	Linesman	135.20	144.30	157.50
BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION				
Building (h) -	Bricklayer	r 195.20	203.20	209.60
	Builder's labourer -			
	Skilled	175.40	187.20	194.00
	Unskilled	163.40	174.40	180.80
	Carpenter	r 196.40	203.60	211.20
	Electrician, installation (i)	170.00	182.00	187.60
	Painter	r 193.20	200.00	207.60
	Plasterer	r 195.60	202.80	210.40
	Plumber	177.00	190.60	196.20
	Roof tiler	r 194.40	201.20	208.80
ROAD AND BRIDGE CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE (MUNICIPAL)				
Road and bridge construction and maintenance (municipal) -	Grader driver	145.60	155.70	160.70
	Labourer	124.10	132.70	136.90
RAILWAY SERVICES				
Permanent way -	Fettler, labourer, etc.	126.50	157.80	162.60
	Ganger, fettling gang	137.00	158.90	164.00
Traffic -	Guard	138.50	167.60	173.00
	Locomotive - Cleaner	124.70	136.30	140.70
	Engine driver	163.95	192.70	208.20
	Fireman	128.15	149.90	162.00
	Porter	124.05	148.50	153.30
	Shunter, ordinary (j)	132.45	154.90	159.90
	Signalman	134.45	156.10	161.10

Footnotes appear at the end of the table.

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TABLE 25. MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (a) (EXCLUDING OVERTIME)
IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND OCCUPATIONS, HOBART : ADULT MALES - continued
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Industry	Occupation	At 31 December		At 30 June 1979
		1977	1978	
ROAD AND AIR TRANSPORT				
Air transport -	Clerk	148.70	166.80	172.15
	Maintenance engineer	205.20	219.10	226.10
Road transport -	Loader, porter	143.20	167.10	172.40
	Assistant	133.60	148.50	153.30
	Motor truck driver -			
	Truck of 1.2 tonnes or less	143.00	160.90	166.00
	Over 1.2 to 3.0 tonnes	145.30	163.40	168.60
	Over 3.0 to 6.0 tonnes	148.30	166.60	171.90
Tramways and buses (k)	Bus driver, one man operator	148.30	159.60	164.70
SHIPPING AND STEVEDORING				
Stevedoring (l) -	Wharf clerk, per hour	6.28	6.92	7.14
	Wharf labourer, per hour	5.56	6.19	6.39
COMMUNICATION				
Post Office -	Postman (m)	r 160.10	166.50	171.83
Telephone services -	Linesman, grade 1	144.50	156.94	169.53
	Telecommunications tradesman	170.60	182.45	188.30
	Telecommunications assistant	158.80	169.76	182.66
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE				
Butchers	General butcher	162.50	173.90	179.50
Commercial travellers	Commercial traveller (n)	145.20	155.40	160.40
Petrol service stations	Attendant	123.80	132.00	136.20
Retail stores -	Clerk	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Shop assistant -			
	Assistant-in-charge	158.20	169.20	174.60
	Drapery	118.50	126.80	130.40
	Grocery	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Hardware	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Storeman	135.70	145.20	149.90
	Adult male	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Storeman	112.90	154.30	159.20
	Wool stores -	Wool classer	124.40	166.20	171.50
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES				
Hospitals -	Orderly	148.80	158.98	164.09
	Porter	144.30	154.04	158.99
Other services -	Graduate - Engineer	185.23	198.00	204.33
	Scientist	172.00	184.00	189.90
AMUSEMENT, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICES, ETC.				
Hairdressing	Hairdresser (man's)	155.20	166.00	171.30
Hotels (o) -	Barman	133.90	143.70	148.30
	Cook - First	156.10	169.10	174.50
	All others	133.10	142.00	146.50
	Porter (day)	126.90	137.80	142.20
	Waiter	128.40	139.50	144.00
Restaurants (o) -	Cook (one only employed)	134.60	144.00	148.60
	Pantryman	127.20	136.10	140.50
Watchman, cleaners, etc. -	Lift attendant	139.80	149.60	154.40
	Office cleaner (day)	139.80	149.60	154.40

- (a) Unless otherwise specified rates are for a 40-hour week. Where two or more awards exist for a single occupation the lowest rate is shown.
- (b) Rates and hours applicable throughout the State.
- (c) 44 hours.
- (d) Without keep.
- (e) Shearers' hours are 40 a week; shed hands' hours are the same as those for shearers, with such additional time as may be necessary to finish picking up fleeces, etc. Should the additional time engaged picking up, etc. exceed 30 minutes a day, all time thereafter is paid as overtime. Rates shown are 'not found' rates. Found rates were \$34.23 a week less as of 2 July 1979, \$28.41 a week less in December 1978, and \$26.98 a week less in December 1977.
- (f) Silver-lead-zinc mining.
- (g) Day work rates.
- (h) The rates are weekly equivalent of hourly rates. They include allowances for excess fares and travelling time, sick leave, statutory holidays, following the job, etc.
- (i) Weekly rates prescribed for a full week's work (excluding overtime).
- (j) 78 hours a fortnight.
- (k) Government operated services only.
- (l) Rates of pay are for casuals on other than special cargo work.
- (m) 36½ hours.
- (n) Local or city.
- (o) Rates of wage represent the weekly cash payment where board and lodging is not provided.

WAGES AND HOURS

TABLE 26. MINIMUM RATES OF WAGE FOR A FULL WEEK'S WORK (a) (EXCLUDING OVERTIME),
IN SELECTED INDUSTRIES AND OCCUPATIONS, HOBART: ADULT FEMALES
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Industry	Occupation	At 31 December		At 30 June 1979
		1977	1978	
ENGINEERING, METALS, VEHICLES, ETC.				
Engineering, general	Process worker	121.90	135.50	147.20
TEXTILES, CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR				
Drycleaning -	Presser	135.40	144.80	149.40
	Receiver and despatcher	130.00	138.80	143.20
	Spotter	129.70	138.60	143.00
	Other adults	121.60	129.90	134.10
	Coat machinist or table hand ..	129.20	140.00	144.50
Readymade clothing (men's) -	Cutter	142.20	151.90	156.80
	Examiner	131.00	140.00	144.50
	Head of table	134.70	144.70	149.40
	Presser	136.10	145.50	150.20
	Trouser machinist or table hand ..	129.20	138.10	142.50
Readymade dressmaking -	Cutter	142.20	151.90	156.80
	Head of table	134.70	144.70	149.40
	Table hand or machinist	131.00	140.00	144.50
Textiles (knitting mills) -	Presser	131.00	140.00	144.50
	Examiner	126.40	136.60	141.00
	Grader	126.40	135.20	139.50
Textiles (woollen mills) -	Machinist	129.10	138.00	142.40
	Welter and/or overlocker	128.90	137.80	142.20
	Gillbox attendant	127.70	136.60	141.00
	Mender	128.90	137.80	142.20
	Weaver	128.80	137.70	142.10
	Winder	127.70	136.60	141.00
FOOD, DRINK AND TOBACCO				
Biscuit and cake making Confectionery	Adult female	117.30	125.50	129.50
	General hand	125.50	138.10	142.50
Jam, fruit and vegetable preserving	General hand	133.20	142.50	147.10
PAPER, PRINTING, ETC.				
Printing, general -	Bookbinder	128.40	137.30	141.70
	Cardboard box machinist	128.40	137.30	141.70
	General hand	124.40	133.00	137.30
	Packer	134.40	143.70	148.30
TRANSPORT AND COMMUNICATION				
Post Office -	Monitor (b)	161.03	172.18	177.69
	Telephonist (c)	141.64	151.48	156.21
WHOLESALE AND RETAIL TRADE				
Retail stores -	Clerk	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Departmental manageress	169.80	181.70	187.50
	Ledger machine operator	120.70	129.00	133.10
	Shop asst - Confectionery	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Drapery	118.50	126.80	130.90
	Switchboard attendant	118.50	126.80	130.90
PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION AND COMMUNITY AND BUSINESS SERVICES				
Australian Public Service (b) -	Accounting machinist, grade 1 ..	142.95	152.86	157.74
	Typist	142.95	152.86	157.74
Hospitals -	Stenographer, grade 1	155.40	166.12	171.43
	Cook	151.30	163.35	168.60
	Kitchenmaid	146.67	156.83	161.87
	Laundry worker	149.08	159.38	164.50
	Nurse (qualified), first year ..	166.60	178.20	183.90
	Nursing aide	152.50	162.70	167.90
	Wardsmaid	148.26	158.52	163.61
AMUSEMENT, HOTELS, PERSONAL SERVICES, ETC.				
Cleaners	Office cleaner (day)	139.80	149.60	154.40
Hairdressing	Hairdresser	155.20	166.00	171.30
Hotels (d) -	Barmaid	132.40	143.70	148.30
	Housemaid	122.80	137.80	142.20
	Kitchenmaid	122.80	137.80	142.20
	Waitress	128.40	139.50	144.00
Restaurants (d)	Pantrymaid	127.20	136.10	140.50
Theatres	Usherette, ticket taker, etc. (c) ..	127.70	136.60	141.00

(a) Unless otherwise specified rates are for a 40-hour week.

(b) 36½ hours.

(c) 36 hours.

(d) Rates of wage represent the weekly cash payment where board and lodging are not provided.

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PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES

SCOPE, DEFINITIONS AND EXPLANATORY NOTES

Consumer Price Index : The Consumer Price Index is a quarterly measure of variations in retail prices for goods and services representing a high proportion of the expenditure of wage-earner households. The weighting pattern relates to estimated aggregates of wage-earner household expenditure, and not to estimated expenditure of an average or individual household of a specified type or mode of living. Consumer (or retail) price indexes are sometimes loosely called 'cost of living indexes' and are thought to measure changes in the cost of living. Such indexes cannot measure mode or level of living. Changes of this kind are matters for consideration apart from price indexes. Changes in prices of goods and services are, however, an important part of the change in cost of living and this part is measured by consumer (or retail) price indexes.

The Consumer Price Index covers a wide range of commodities and services arranged in eight major groups :

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| (i) food; | (v) transportation; |
| (ii) clothing; | (vi) tobacco and alcohol; |
| (iii) housing; | (vii) health and personal care; and |
| (iv) household equipment and operation; | (viii) recreation. |

These groups do not include every item of household spending. Prices are collected regularly for specified quantities and qualities of a large and representative selection of commodities and services.

Substantial changes occur in consumer usage and patterns of expenditure over time. In order to keep the weighting pattern representative of current expenditure, it has been necessary to construct indexes with additional items and change the weighting pattern at intervals, rather than maintain an index based on a list of items and set of weights that remained unchanged throughout the whole period covered.

For the six state capital cities, nine series for short periods have been constructed and linked to form a continuous retail price index series : (i) from September quarter 1948 to June quarter 1952; (ii) from June quarter 1952 to June quarter 1956; (iii) from June quarter 1956 to March quarter 1960; (iv) from March quarter 1960 to December quarter 1963; (v) from December quarter 1963 to December quarter 1968; (vi) from December quarter 1968 to December quarter 1973; (vii) from December quarter 1973 to June quarter 1974; (viii) from September quarter 1974 to September quarter 1976; and (ix) from September quarter 1976.

During each period between links, the items and quantity weighting pattern remain unchanged. (The percentage contributions of items to the CPI (often described as 'value weights') change continually from quarter to quarter because of relative price movements which tend to differ from one item to another.) At each time of linking, the quantity weighting pattern is altered and new items (mainly ones that have become significant in household expenditure) are introduced. The process of linking ensures that the index reflects only price variations and not differences in cost of the old and new lists of items. The introduction of new items and quantity weights by linking does not, of itself, raise or lower the level of the index.

The weighting pattern of the ninth linked series was derived from estimates of household expenditure for the year 1974-75, valued at September quarter 1976 prices. The estimates were derived mainly from the Household Expenditure Survey conducted in respect of 1974-75. The ninth series introduced four new major groups - 'transportation'; 'tobacco and alcohol'; 'health and personal care'; and 'recreation' - by sub-division of the former 'Miscellaneous group'. Also, the group previously called 'household supplies and equipment' was modified and renamed 'household equipment and operation'.

A detailed description of the Consumer Price Index is contained in the Labour Report No. 58, 1973, but more up-to-date information is available on request. The ABS has also produced a booklet titled A Guide to the Consumer Price Index which is available on request.

Materials Used in Building other than House Building : This index measures changes in prices of selected materials used in the construction of buildings other than houses and 'low-rise' flats (in general, those up to three storeys). It includes 72 items, combined in eleven groups, in addition to an 'All Groups' index. Although the selected materials (or many of them) are also used in house (and low-rise flat) building, in building repair, maintenance and alteration work, and in 'engineering construction' work (e.g. projects such as roads, dams, bridges and the like) the weighting pattern of the index, being designed for the specific purpose mentioned at the beginning of this paragraph, is not applicable to these other activities of the construction industry. In addition, since the weights are based on an average materials usage over a range of types of building within the defined area (building other than house building), the index is not necessarily applicable to any specific building or type of building included in that area. The index is a fixed quantity weights index and is calculated by the method known as 'the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives'. The items and weights were derived from reported values of materials used in selected representative buildings constructed in or about 1966-67. The single weighting pattern relates to the whole of Australia, and is applied (with minor exceptions) in calculating indexes for each state capital city. Prices are collected as at the mid-point of the month to which the index refers, or as near thereto as practicable. They relate to specified standards of each commodity and are obtained in Hobart from representative suppliers of materials used in building. There are, however, some exceptions to the use of local prices; the whole of the group 'Electrical installation materials' and the majority of the items in the group 'Mechanical services components' are based on Sydney and Melbourne price series.

Materials Used in House Building : This index is calculated by the same method and is complementary to the 'Other than House Building Index'. It measures the changes in prices of selected materials used in house construction. The house construction types included are those which use brick, brick veneer, timber or asbestos cement sheeting as the principal material of the outer walls. The number of items included in the index ranges from 49 (Brisbane) to 51 (Perth). The items are combined into eleven groups. An 'All Groups' index is also published. Standards are fixed for items and prices are obtained for items of constant quality. Information about material usage and values was obtained for houses in each state capital city urban area. From the data collected, weighting patterns were developed for each capital city and for a combined six state capital cities index. Prices are collected at the mid-point of each month from representative suppliers in each capital city. The index has been compiled for each month from July 1966 and for financial years from 1966-67. Index numbers are published for each capital city and for the six state capital cities combined (though details for Hobart only are shown in this Bulletin); although the base of the index is 1966-67 = 100.0, the weighting pattern more closely approximates material usage in 1968-69.

PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES

Price Indexes of Metallic Materials : The 'Price Index of Metallic Materials used in the Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products' and the 'Price Indexes of Copper Materials used in the Manufacture of Electrical Equipment' have been compiled monthly from July 1968 and for financial years from 1968-69. Each of the indexes is a fixed weights index with base 1968-69 = 100.0 and compiled using the method known as 'the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives'. Prices for all of the items relate to representative goods of fixed specification collected from a selection of representative sources. The prices are collected monthly and are for items of constant quality. The prices, as far as possible, are those normally charged to representative manufacturers for goods delivered into their stores. The 'Price Index of Metallic Materials Used in the Manufacture of Fabricated Metal Products' includes important metallic materials selected and combined in accordance with a weighting pattern reflecting value usage as reported in the 1968-69 Census of Manufacturing Establishments for establishments classified to the ASIC sub-division of 'Fabricated Metal Products'. 'Price Indexes of Copper Materials Used in the Manufacture of Electrical Equipment' have a weighting pattern based on advice from the Electricity Supply Association of Australia and the Australian Electrical Manufacturers' Association.

Price Index of Materials Used in Manufacturing Industry : This index has been compiled for each month from July 1968 and for financial years from 1968-69 on the reference, base year 1968-69 = 100.0. Index numbers for financial years are simple averages of the relevant monthly index numbers. The index is a fixed weights index and is calculated by the method known as 'the weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives' and is based on materials used by establishments classified in Division C, Manufacturing, of ASIC. The selection items were allocated weights in accordance with estimated manufacturing usage in 1971-72. Only materials originating from outside the Manufacturing Division were selected. The selected items have been combined into broad 'Index groups' using two different classifications:

- (i) Australian Standard Industrial Classification (ASIC)
- (ii) Standard International Trade Classification (SITC)

The index is on a 'net basis' relating in concept only to those materials which are used by establishments within the Manufacturing Division in Australia and which have been produced by establishments outside that Division. Prices are collected using mainly monthly average prices rather than prices relating to the mid-point of the month. Prices of home-produced items are generally obtained from principal users while prices of imported items are obtained from suppliers and users. As far as possible prices are on a 'delivered into store' basis relating to goods of fixed specifications with the aim of incorporating in the index price changes for representative materials of constant quality.

Price Indexes of Articles Produced by Manufacturing Industry : As with the 'Price Index of Materials Used in Manufacturing Industry' these indexes have been compiled for each month from July 1968 and for financial years from 1968-69, on the reference, base year 1968-69 = 100.0. Index numbers for financial years are simple averages of the relevant monthly index numbers. The indexes are fixed weights indexes and are calculated using the 'weighted arithmetic mean of price relatives' method. They are based on values of articles produced in 1971-72, by establishments classified to the Manufacturing Division of ASIC. The selection of items was made from data reported in the 1971-72 Census of Manufacturing Establishments and combined into the published industry groupings using ASIC. Most prices used in the indexes relate to the mid-point of the month.

The Manufacturing Division Index reflects sales and transfers of articles at the point of exit from Manufacturing Division; articles sold or transferred by establishments in the Manufacturing Division to other establishments in that division for further processing are outside the scope of this index.

The selected net sub-division indexes reflect movements in prices of articles produced primarily by the respective sub-divisions for sale or transfer outside the Manufacturing Division or to other sub-divisions within Manufacturing.

Export Price Index : The revised Export Price Index, introduced in July 1979, has been compiled for each month from July 1974 and for the financial years from 1974-75 on the reference base 1974-75 = 100, replacing the previous index which had a reference base of 1959-60 = 100.

For any given period, price movements shown in the revised index will not necessarily be the same as price movements in the previous Export Price Index for a variety of reasons. In particular, it should be noted that:

The revised 'All groups' index differs in scope from the previous 'All groups' index.

The groups included in the revised index (e.g. cereals and cereal preparations) can differ from corresponding groups in the previous index because they may be composed of different exported commodities, or because more up-to-date weightings have been used when combining items to form the new groups.

The revised Export Price Index relates to all exports of merchandise from Australia. It includes re-exports of merchandise (that is, goods which are imported into Australia and exported at a later date without physical transformation). The index numbers for each month relate to prices of those exports of merchandise that are physically shipped from Australia during that month.

In general, prices are obtained from major exporters of the selected commodities included in the index. The point of pricing for the Export Price Index is the point at which the goods physically leave Australia, i.e. prices are on the basis FOB at main Australian ports of export. As the prices used in the index are expressed in Australian currency, changes in the relative values of the Australian dollar and overseas currencies can have a direct impact on price movements for the many commodities that are sold in currencies other than Australian dollars. Where exports are sold at prices expressed in terms of a foreign currency and forward exchange cover is used, the prices used in the index exclude forward exchange cover.

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TABLE 27. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, GROUP INDEX NUMBERS (a): HOBART

Year or quarter	Food	Clothing	Housing	Household equipment and operation	Transportation	Tobacco and alcohol	Health and personal care (b)	Recreation (c)	All groups	
									Index number	Percentage increase over preceding year or quarter
Year -										
1958-59	81.7	91.3	73.8						84.1	1.4
1959-60	82.8	92.0	77.6						85.6	1.8
1960-61	92.4	93.5	81.9						90.3	5.5
1961-62	90.2	94.7	85.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	90.7	0.4
1962-63	88.9	95.2	88.2						90.7	-
1963-64	90.1	95.7	90.9						91.7	1.1
1964-65	94.0	97.0	94.5						94.6	3.2
1965-66	98.9	98.0	97.1						98.0	3.6
1966-67	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0			100.0	2.0
1967-68	106.8	102.4	103.6	103.7	104.2	102.1	n.a.	n.a.	104.6	4.6
1968-69	105.3	104.5	108.4	105.8	108.1	105.0			106.1	1.4
1969-70	106.4	107.9	112.6	107.4	111.2	107.3	102.5		108.5	2.3
1970-71	109.6	111.9	117.4	110.9	116.2	115.6	103.2		112.6	3.8
1971-72	112.9	118.5	124.2	119.3	126.6	124.7	119.8		119.9	6.5
1972-73	120.0	125.6	131.8	123.8	132.1	134.7	125.8	n.a.	126.7	5.7
1973-74	141.4	142.4	146.9	132.8	139.6	152.7	141.0		142.6	12.5
1974-75	158.6	171.8	180.9	156.4	165.3	169.4	174.1		166.7	16.9
1975-76	177.5	200.9	216.4	183.9	196.7	206.3	(d)138.5		(d)190.0	(d)14.0
1976-77	201.5	232.5	244.9	201.8	220.7	222.0	(e)250.3	103.6	(e)217.7	(e)14.6
1977-78	224.3	257.1	264.6	220.0	241.6	232.2	302.6	110.2	239.1	9.8
1978-79	251.3	277.2	278.1	235.9	256.5	268.4	(f)292.2	118.7	(f)257.7	(f) 7.8
1979-80	286.8	297.6	293.7	257.2	291.5	289.1	319.8	128.5	284.0	10.2
Quarter -										
1976-77 - June	209.7	244.1	252.5	209.3	226.6	227.6	287.3	106.9	226.7	2.4
1977-78 - Sept.	218.9	248.5	257.3	212.8	233.2	229.2	292.1	107.3	232.0	2.3
Dec.	223.3	255.9	264.0	223.2	240.6	230.6	295.1	109.6	238.1	2.6
March	225.5	258.4	267.0	224.6	244.5	233.2	298.9	111.4	240.8	1.1
June	229.5	265.5	270.2	227.3	247.9	235.7	324.1	112.6	245.5	2.0
1978-79 - Sept.	238.4	269.7	272.0	228.8	247.0	238.8	331.3	115.4	249.3	1.5
Dec.	245.0	275.2	277.3	233.4	252.4	276.0	(f)274.2	117.7	(f)254.5	(f) 2.1
March	254.7	277.3	280.4	238.5	258.7	278.1	280.5	119.6	260.0	2.2
June	266.9	286.7	282.6	242.7	268.0	280.7	282.6	122.1	267.0	2.7
1979-80 - Sept.	275.1	290.5	285.4	248.1	282.5	283.1	287.6	123.0	273.6	2.5
Dec.	283.8	295.8	291.7	251.9	287.7	287.5	324.7	126.6	281.2	2.8
March	291.2	297.2	296.3	261.1	292.6	290.2	329.4	131.1	287.0	2.1
June	296.9	307.0	301.5	267.6	303.2	295.4	337.6	133.4	294.1	2.5
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE QUARTER 1980 OVER JUNE QUARTER 1979										
	11.2	7.1	6.7	10.3	13.1	5.2	19.5	9.3	10.1	..

(a) Figures appearing after the decimal point possess little significance for general statistical purposes. They are inserted to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding the figures to the nearest whole number. The base of each index is year 1966-67 = 100.0, unless otherwise footnoted. A new group structure and weighting pattern was adopted with the introduction of the current (ninth) linked series from the September quarter 1976 (see the explanatory notes on page 29).

(b) Base of index: December quarter 1968 = 100.0.

(c) Base of index: September quarter 1976 = 100.0.

(d) Affected by the introduction of Medibank and consequent reduction in net cost of medical services.

(e) Affected by price increases in hospital and medical services associated with changes to Medibank.

(f) Affected by price decreases in hospital and medical services associated with the abolition of the Medibank levy.

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TABLE 28. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX : SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES COMBINED

PERCENTAGE CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE TOTAL INDEX AGGREGATE (a)

Group, section, etc.	As at September Qtr 1976		As at June Qtr 1980	
	Sub-group, etc.	Group	Sub-group, etc.	Group
Food -				
Dairy produce	2.138		2.041	
Cereal products	2.384		2.215	
Meat and seafoods - Meat	4.537		6.166	
Fish	0.420		0.496	
Fruit and vegetables - Fresh fruit and vegetables	2.017	21.026	2.048	22.453
Processed fruit and vegetables	0.889		0.771	
Soft drinks, ice-cream and confectionery	2.080		2.118	
Meals out, take away food - Meals out	2.072		4.474	
Snacks, take away food	2.331			
Other food	2.158		2.128	
Clothing -				
Men's and boys' clothing - Men's clothing	2.339		2.735	
Boys' clothing	0.589			
Women's and girls' clothing - Women's clothing	3.911		4.373	
Girls' clothing	0.578	10.141	0.563	9.789
Piecegoods and other clothing	0.538			
Footwear - Men's footwear	0.549		1.582	
Women's footwear	0.774			
Children's footwear	0.328			
Clothing and footwear services	0.535		0.536	
Housing -				
Rent - Privately owned dwellings	4.779		4.363	
Government owned dwellings	0.468		0.553	
Home ownership - Local government rates and charges	1.759	13.544	1.813	12.634
House price	4.708		5.905	
Repairs and maintenance	1.830			
Household equipment and operation -				
Fuel and light - Electricity	1.437			
Gas	0.520		2.339	
Other fuel	0.278			
Furniture and floor coverings	3.222		2.899	
Appliances	1.909		1.565	
Drapery	1.077	14.761	1.082	13.660
Household utensils and tools - Household utensils	1.017		1.434	
Tools	0.490			
Household supplies and services	3.319		3.221	
Postal and telephone services - Postal charges	0.341		1.123	
Telephone charges	1.151			
Transportation -				
Private transport - Motor vehicle purchase	5.523		4.926	
Motor vehicle operation	10.788	18.453	11.508	18.448
Public transport fares	2.142		2.011	
Tobacco and alcohol -				
Alcoholic beverages - Beer	4.769		4.591	
Wine	1.180	10.247	2.115	9.675
Spirits	1.052			
Cigarettes and tobacco	3.246		2.973	
Health and personal care -				
Health services - Hospital and medical	0.889		3.468	
Dental	0.595	3.950	1.736	5.915
Personal care products	1.799		0.710	
Personal care services	0.667			
Recreation -				
Books, magazines, newspapers	1.428		1.625	
Other recreation goods	3.215	7.878	2.641	7.436
Holiday accommodation	0.921		0.891	
Other recreation services	2.314		2.279	
	100.000	100.000	100.000	100.000

(a) Percentage contributions shown are based on estimates of household expenditure for the year 1974-75, valued at September quarter 1976 and June quarter 1980 prices, respectively.

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TABLE 29. CONSUMER PRICE INDEX: ALL GROUPS AUSTRALIA - SIX STATE CAPITAL CITIES (a)

Quarter	Quarter		Percentage change from same quarter of preceding year	Calendar year (b)		Fiscal year (b)	
	Index number	Percentage change (c)		Index number	Percentage change (c)	Index number	Percentage change (c)
1974 -							
September	162.0	+ 5.1	+ 16.0				
December	168.1	+ 3.8	+ 16.3	158.1 (1974)	15.1	171.1 (1974-75)	+ 16.7
1975 -							
March	174.1	+ 3.6	+ 17.6				
June	180.2	+ 3.5	+ 16.9	181.9 (1975) (d)	(d) + 15.1		
September (d)	181.6	+ 0.8	+ 12.1				
December (d)	191.7	+ 5.6	+ 14.0			193.3 (1975-76) (d)	(d) + 13.0
1976 -							
March	197.4	+ 3.0	(d) + 13.4				
June	202.4	+ 2.5	(d) + 12.3	206.5 (1976) (e)	(e) + 13.5		
September	206.9	+ 2.2	(d) + 13.9				
December (e)	219.3	+ 6.0	+ 14.4			220.0 (1976-77) (e)	(e) + 13.8
1977 -							
March	224.3	+ 2.3	(e) + 13.6				
June	229.6	+ 2.4	(e) + 13.4	231.9 (1977)	+ 12.3		
September	234.1	+ 2.0	(e) + 13.1				
December	239.6	+ 2.3	+ 9.3			241.0 (1977-78)	+ 9.5
1978 -							
March	242.7	+ 1.3	+ 8.2				
June	247.7	+ 2.1	+ 7.9	250.3 (1978) (f)	(f) + 7.9		
September	252.5	+ 1.9	+ 7.9				
December (f)	258.2	+ 2.3	+ 7.8			260.7 (1978-79) (f)	(f) + 8.2
1979 -							
March	262.6	+ 1.7	(f) + 8.2				
June	269.6	+ 2.7	(f) + 8.8	273.0 (1979) (g)	(g) + 9.1		
September	275.8	+ 2.3	(f) + 9.2				
December (g)	284.1	+ 3.0	+ 10.0			287.2 (1979-80) (g)	(g) + 10.2
1980 -							
March	290.3	+ 2.2	(g) + 10.5				
June	298.4	+ 2.8	(g) + 10.7				

(a) Weighted average of six state capital cities. Base year : 1966-67 = 100.0.

(b) Calendar year and fiscal year index numbers are averages of the four respective quarterly index numbers.

(c) Over preceding period.

(d) Affected by the introduction of Medibank and consequent reduction in cost of medical services.

(e) Affected by price increases in hospital and medical services associated with changes to Medibank.

(f) Affected by price decreases in hospital and medical services associated with the abolition of the Medibank levy.

(g) Affected by price increases in hospital and medical services associated with changes in health insurance arrangements.

TABLE 30. CONSUMER (RETAIL) PRICE INDEXES : VARIOUS COUNTRIES (a)

(Source : Monthly Bulletin of Statistics of the Statistical Office of the United Nations)

Year	Australia (b)	Canada	France	Fed. Repub. of Germany	Italy	Japan	New Zealand	Switz- erland	United Kingdom	U.S.A.
INDEX NUMBERS (Base of each index : Year 1970 = 100.0)										
1974	141.5	128.6	136.7	127.1	146.3	154.1	142.1	135.7	148.4	127.0
1975	162.8	142.5	152.8	134.7	171.1	172.4	162.8	144.8	184.4	138.6
1976	184.9	153.2	166.9	r140.4	199.8	188.4	190.3	147.3	214.9	146.6
1977	207.6	165.4	183.2	r145.6	236.6	203.6	217.7	149.2	249.0	156.1
1978	224.0	180.2	199.8	r149.6	265.3	211.4	243.7	150.8	269.6	167.9
1979	244.3	196.7	220.8	155.8	304.5	219.0	277.2	156.2	305.8	187.2
PERCENTAGE INCREASE OVER PREVIOUS YEAR										
1974	15.1	11.0	13.7	7.0	19.1	24.3	11.2	9.8	15.9	11.0
1975	15.1	10.8	11.8	6.0	17.0	11.9	14.6	6.7	24.3	9.1
1976	r13.6	7.5	9.2	r 4.2	16.8	9.3	16.9	1.7	16.5	5.8
1977	12.3	8.0	9.8	r 3.7	18.4	8.1	14.4	1.3	15.9	6.5
1978	7.9	8.9	9.1	r 2.7	12.1	3.8	11.9	1.1	8.3	7.6
1979	9.1	9.2	10.5	4.1	14.8	3.6	13.8	3.6	13.4	11.5

(a) The items priced and the levels at which they are priced in these indexes vary widely from country to country.

(b) Consumer Price Index converted to base : Year 1970 = 100.0.

Item	Unit	1970	1971	1972	1973	1974	1975	1976	1977	1978	1979	
											Average price	Percentage change (b)
Groceries, etc. -												
Bread, ordinary white, delivered (c)	900 g	21.3	23.5	24.9	27.0	31.2	39.2	45.1	48.3	52.0	57.0	9.6
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	25.6	26.1	27.1	28.0	31.1	38.3	47.0	50.9	53.3	55.0	3.2
Tea	250 g pkt	33.9	35.3	36.7	35.6	37.2	49.7	53.0	92.3	88.5	79.5	- 10.2
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	159.2	283.2	284.0	270.0	- 4.9
Sugar	2 kg pkt	49.0	48.0	48.4	47.9	48.0	52.4	56.7	63.5	68.8	85.3	24.0
Rice	500 g pkt	16.7	16.7	18.0	19.5	22.7	26.5	31.7	35.5	37.8	39.3	4.0
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	80.5	85.0	90.8	6.8
Breakfast cereal, corn-based ..	500 g pkt	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(d)56.0	60.6	66.3	71.5	75.3	82.3	9.3
Peaches, canned	825 g can	33.9	33.7	34.1	35.3	43.1	51.7	64.5	70.0	71.3	75.8	6.3
Pears, canned	822 g can	34.0	33.7	34.5	35.3	43.1	51.4	(e)61.6	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.
Potatoes	1 kg	14.1	14.6	16.3	20.5	30.4	19.6	33.7	26.6	35.8	39.5	10.3
Onions, brown	1 kg	25.8	28.2	25.1	39.5	37.7	34.8	43.4	47.3	47.3	53.0	12.1
Dairy Products, etc. -												
Butter	500 g	60.6	62.0	63.9	63.9	67.5	77.0	85.2	91.5	91.3	94.8	3.8
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	27.4	27.8	30.5	32.8	37.0	45.5	48.5	54.0	57.3	59.0	3.0
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	(d)70.5	78.7	78.1	84.9	84.0	92.0	9.5
Eggs (f)	1 doz. (55 g)	67.7	64.4	67.4	75.2	88.8	93.7	109.2	123.4	128.5	138.5	7.8
Bacon, rashers, pre-pack	250 g	55.6	55.2	56.9	57.6	75.6	91.9	111.6	123.0	126.5	149.5	18.2
Milk, fresh, bottled, delivered ..	2 x 600 ml	21.3	23.0	23.2	25.1	28.3	33.6	36.0	40.5	47.0	49.3	4.9
Meat -												
Beef - Rib (without bone) ..	1 kg	122.6	127.4	127.2	145.3	153.9	136.7	163.1	181.4	202.3	333.8	65.0
Steak - Rump	1 kg	207.0	220.9	230.6	271.4	319.7	287.0	323.4	354.7	391.5	580.0	48.1
Chuck	1 kg	121.7	125.9	128.3	148.6	162.0	141.3	156.7	169.1	186.8	326.3	74.7
Sausages	1 kg	65.7	66.6	69.9	85.1	110.2	109.6	120.4	137.7	150.5	213.8	42.1
Silverside, corned ..	1 kg	138.9	144.4	149.9	175.0	201.3	180.8	201.1	218.7	247.5	379.5	53.3
Lamb - Leg	1 kg	107.6	107.4	113.3	148.8	170.9	171.5	197.1	238.9	269.8	332.8	23.4
Chops - Loin	1 kg	109.3	107.6	114.0	149.3	174.8	173.1	198.2	240.0	277.8	349.3	25.7
Forequarter ..	1 kg	89.1	87.3	93.9	132.1	155.9	147.7	175.0	211.2	241.8	310.0	28.2
Pork - Leg	1 kg	147.5	148.8	151.9	171.3	220.0	256.6	302.7	326.1	344.5	415.3	20.6
Chops	1 kg	148.2	149.9	152.8	171.3	223.1	252.2	293.2	318.1	349.3	421.8	20.8

- (a) The table units are not necessarily those for which the original price data were obtained; in such cases, prices have been calculated for the table unit.
- (b) Over the corresponding average 1978 price. A minus sign indicates a decrease.
- (c) As from 1976, milk loaf, sliced (undelivered), 680g. As from June 1979, supermarket sales only.
- (d) Average price for six months only.
- (e) Average price for 9 months only.
- (f) Prior to July 1972, 1 doz. (2 oz.).

TABLE 32. QUARTERLY AVERAGE RETAIL PRICES OF SELECTED FOOD AND GROCERY ITEMS : HOBART (a)
(Cents)

Item	Unit	1978				1979				1980	
		March	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	Sept.	Dec.	March	June
Groceries, etc. -											
Bread, milk loaf, sliced ..	680 g	52	52	52	52	55	55	58	60	62	62
Flour, self-raising	1 kg pkt	53	53	53	54	55	54	55	56	59	61
Tea	250 g pkt	98	87	88	81	83	81	76	78	78	79
Coffee, instant	150 g jar	318	292	269	257	257	238	295	290	282	311
Sugar	2 kg pkt	65	65	72	73	73	85	92	91	93	93
Rice, short grain	500 g pkt	37	37	38	39	40	40	39	38	38	38
Jam, strawberry	500 g jar	79	83	88	90	90	85	91	97	100	104
Breakfast cereal, corn based ..	500 g pkt	73	76	76	76	80	80	83	86	85	89
Peaches, canned	825 g can	69	73	72	71	73	78	77	75	76	81
Pineapple, pieces, canned ..	450 g can	42	44	44	45	46	46	47	49	49	50
Potatoes	1 kg	33	31	34	45	40	37	39	42	42	42
Onions, brown	1 kg	50	41	45	53	54	50	51	57	56	47
Biscuits, dry	225 g pkt	44	44	46	47	46	47	50	49	52	54
Dairy produce, etc. -											
Butter	500 g	92	91	92	90	90	94	98	97	101	106
Cheese, processed	250 g pkt	57	57	57	58	58	60	58	60	63	68
Margarine, table, poly-unsaturated	500 g pkt	81	81	86	88	91	88	95	94	92	97
Eggs	1 doz. (55 g)	124	126	131	133	136	137	140	141	143	144
Bacon, middle rashers	250 g	124	125	127	130	135	148	157	158	166	172
Milk, powdered, full cream ..	300 g can	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	85	88	91	93	93	98
Milk, fresh, bottled, delivered	2 x 600 ml	46	46	48	48	48	49	50	50	52	52
Meat -											
Beef - Rib (without bone) ..	1 kg	181	187	217	224	267	338	357	373	386	387
Steak - Rump	1 kg	362	358	410	436	511	598	597	614	642	654
T-bone, without fillet	1 kg	327	334	373	402	464	545	558	577	598	599
Chuck	1 kg	168	175	194	210	251	330	346	378	389	379
Sausages	1 kg	145	145	151	161	183	216	222	234	252	260
Silverside, corned	1 kg	226	230	256	278	323	284	393	418	432	435
Lamb - Leg	1 kg	249	261	281	288	303	345	341	342	342	352
Chops - Loin	1 kg	251	267	292	301	319	367	354	357	356	364
- Forequarter	1 kg	217	232	253	265	285	330	314	311	309	318
Pork - Leg	1 kg	337	343	343	355	368	406	434	453	458	456
Chops	1 kg	340	345	351	361	376	414	442	455	459	456

(a) The table units are not necessarily those for which the original price data were obtained; in such cases, prices have been calculated for the table

Year or month	Concrete mix, cement, sand etc.	Cement products	Bricks, stone, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel and iron products	Aluminium products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures	Miscellaneous materials	Electrical installation materials (b)	Mechanical services components (b)	All groups	
												Index	Percentage increase over preceding year or month
Value weight (c)	10.41%	3.64%	5.28%	11.90%	30.58%	6.01%	2.59%	1.19%	7.09%	8.61%	12.70%	100.00%	..
Year -													
1974-75	157.5	179.5	197.6	191.2	195.0	149.1	168.8	189.4	161.1	157.4	181.3	179.3	24.7
1975-76	185.3	207.8	238.1	222.4	236.9	176.2	176.5	221.6	188.1	177.4	201.7	210.4	17.3
1976-77	206.2	236.5	262.6	249.5	262.9	199.0	193.4	246.5	209.9	199.6	226.3	234.8	11.6
1977-78	220.9	258.8	290.6	269.8	282.1	218.4	206.3	259.0	225.5	215.3	247.8	253.7	8.0
1978-79	230.6	277.4	310.1	286.5	297.3	229.2	231.3	268.6	241.6	242.6	268.5	270.5	6.6
1979-80	252.6	298.4	336.5	316.3	327.5	268.7	290.2	304.9	272.4	285.4	298.3	301.8	11.6
Month -													
1979 -													
May	232.6	285.7	321.1	301.3	306.9	240.5	260.6	281.0	248.5	258.9	277.2	280.9	0.8
June	236.8	284.6	321.1	301.3	307.8	240.5	258.5	281.6	251.9	257.6	277.2	281.7	0.3
July	241.3	284.6	321.1	302.2	310.2	240.9	260.9	284.8	253.9	261.9	282.7	284.3	0.9
August	243.8	285.2	321.1	303.0	317.6	253.2	260.9	284.8	256.5	266.2	285.9	288.6	1.5
September	247.2	285.4	337.0	305.7	318.3	254.8	264.2	288.4	259.8	271.0	285.8	291.3	0.9
October	246.8	290.1	337.0	308.1	318.4	254.8	272.7	293.4	262.4	277.1	286.7	292.9	0.5
November	248.2	298.3	337.0	310.8	321.2	257.2	280.0	293.4	264.9	275.3	290.2	295.2	0.8
December	251.0	299.7	337.0	312.1	324.9	257.2	281.0	293.4	267.2	282.8	295.6	298.4	1.1
1980 -													
January	251.0	304.3	337.6	314.0	327.9	265.6	285.1	302.3	270.5	288.9	302.3	302.0	1.2
February	252.0	304.3	338.3	316.4	333.3	265.6	310.0	318.2	273.3	305.2	305.4	306.9	1.6
March	258.7	305.2	342.9	320.3	336.1	282.9	322.9	321.2	281.2	304.9	306.8	311.5	1.5
April	261.9	306.8	342.9	329.7	336.7	293.5	330.3	326.1	290.8	297.8	311.5	314.6	1.0
May	261.9	308.7	342.9	333.3	338.2	296.8	309.2	326.1	293.9	296.9	312.5	315.5	0.3
June	267.4	308.7	343.0	339.9	346.8	302.3	305.3	326.1	294.6	297.2	314.1	320.0	1.4
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979													
	+ 12.9	+ 8.5	+ 6.8	+ 12.8	+ 12.7	+ 25.7	+ 18.1	+ 15.8	+ 17.0	+ 15.4	+ 13.3	+ 13.6	..

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding the index numbers to the nearest whole number. Figures after the decimal point possess little statistical significance.

(b) Whole of group 'Electrical installation materials' and the majority of items in group 'Mechanical services components' are based on Sydney and Melbourne price series.

(c) Composition and weighting pattern as at reference base year.

TABLE 34. WHOLESALE PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN HOUSE BUILDING

GROUP INDEX NUMBERS : HOBART (a)

(Base of each index : Year 1966-67 = 100.0)

Year or month	Concrete mix, cement and sand	Cement products	Clay bricks, tiles, etc.	Timber, board and joinery	Steel products	Other metal products	Plumbing fixtures, etc.	Electrical installation materials	Installed appliances	Plaster and plaster products	Miscellaneous materials	All groups	
												Index	Percentage increase over preceding year or month
Value weight (b)	7.25%	7.01%	10.14%	38.15%	7.49%	7.93%	2.74%	1.61%	6.98%	4.99%	5.71%	100.00%	..
Year -													
1974-75	157.6	178.6	201.0	192.5	188.7	160.2	173.2	162.4	130.3	157.0	178.6	179.1	23.1
1975-76	184.9	205.9	244.0	226.6	224.2	181.8	202.2	174.6	136.9	188.3	204.8	209.2	16.8
1976-77	205.0	231.6	272.1	257.4	254.7	201.4	228.2	191.8	148.0	202.2	234.0	235.1	12.4
1977-78	219.5	253.0	306.4	282.3	279.2	218.4	247.4	201.2	154.9	218.2	250.8	256.7	9.2
1978-79	227.3	278.6	326.6	300.7	297.9	231.9	258.5	224.5	161.6	229.6	273.5	273.6	6.6
1979-80	246.9	309.5	354.2	337.1	329.1	271.4	293.5	265.3	169.5	244.7	307.0	304.2	11.2
Month -													
1979 -													
May	229.0	295.2	333.1	323.1	310.1	246.9	269.0	241.7	166.7	234.2	283.4	287.9	1.4
June	233.4	294.8	333.1	323.1	309.7	246.9	271.0	240.1	167.3	234.2	284.8	288.3	0.1
July	237.8	294.8	333.1	323.1	310.0	250.3	275.5	240.0	168.2	234.4	286.1	289.2	0.3
August	239.2	295.7	334.3	323.2	317.4	253.1	275.5	240.5	168.2	235.8	287.6	290.5	0.4
September	242.6	295.9	347.9	326.0	320.8	254.0	278.9	247.1	168.3	241.2	290.2	294.1	1.2
October	242.5	297.8	347.9	328.5	321.0	255.9	284.7	253.0	168.3	241.2	296.2	295.9	0.6
November	243.2	313.6	347.9	332.9	321.3	262.8	284.7	259.2	168.3	241.2	297.3	299.5	1.2
December	245.3	314.1	355.3	333.1	323.5	264.6	285.4	263.0	168.3	243.2	299.3	301.1	0.5
1980 -													
January	245.3	314.9	355.3	336.3	327.6	267.5	296.5	266.8	168.5	243.2	305.7	303.6	0.8
February	246.2	315.6	356.1	338.4	335.0	278.5	306.5	285.1	168.4	248.6	309.1	307.1	1.2
March	251.0	316.9	368.2	339.6	337.3	290.3	308.5	287.7	170.0	248.6	318.1	311.1	1.3
April	254.3	317.5	368.2	347.4	341.5	293.7	308.3	281.0	170.5	252.7	330.6	315.9	1.5
May	254.3	318.3	368.2	354.1	341.8	290.9	308.5	277.5	173.4	252.9	331.7	318.5	0.8
June	260.5	318.3	368.2	362.7	352.0	295.1	308.5	282.4	173.6	252.9	332.1	323.4	1.5
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979													
	+ 11.6	+ 8.0	+ 10.5	+ 12.3	+ 13.7	+ 19.5	+ 13.8	+ 17.6	+ 3.8	+ 8.0	+ 16.6	+ 12.2	..

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding the index numbers to the nearest whole number. Figures after the decimal point possess little statistical significance.

PRICES AND PRICE INDEXES

TABLE 35. PRICE INDEX OF METALLIC MATERIALS USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF FABRICATED

METAL PRODUCTS : GROUP AND ALL GROUPS INDEX NUMBERS : AUSTRALIA

(Base of each index : Year 1968-69 = 100.0) (a)

Year or month	Iron and steel	Aluminium	Copper and brass	Zinc	Silver	All groups excluding silver	All groups	
							Index	Percentage increase over previous year or month
Value weight (b)	83.2%	8.9%	5.7%	0.5%	1.7%		100.0%	..
1974-75	161.1	141.9	131.1	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	158.4	+ 20.6
1975-76	200.2	158.0	137.5	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	193.1	+ 21.9
1976-77	227.8	176.9	158.1	259.8	222.5	219.3	219.4	+ 13.6
1977-78	248.9	193.7	153.9	237.9	246.8	238.3	238.5	+ 8.7
1978-79	264.9	208.9	179.2	291.3	327.4	255.0	256.2	+ 7.4
1979-80	294.4	251.5	216.6	329.5	957.3	286.2	297.6	+ 16.2
1979 -								
May	271.8	220.0	204.9	325.6	423.3	263.5	266.2	+ 0.6
June	272.4	226.1	193.4	351.9	432.7	264.0	266.9	+ 0.3
July	282.8	228.5	193.2	351.9	452.3	273.0	276.1	+ 3.4
August	283.6	228.5	196.6	318.6	447.6	273.7	276.7	+ 0.2
September	284.5	239.2	206.6	318.6	613.7	276.1	281.8	+ 1.8
October	284.6	239.2	214.4	318.6	872.0	276.6	286.7	+ 1.7
November	284.6	240.4	205.2	318.6	837.3	276.1	285.7	- 0.3
December	295.5	240.4	213.3	329.7	1 055.6	285.9	298.9	+ 4.6
1980 -								
January	298.2	250.9	224.2	329.7	1 965.5	289.8	318.3	+ 6.5
February	298.2	260.1	254.2	329.7	1 789.9	292.3	317.8	- 0.2
March	298.6	262.6	244.4	343.7	1 307.2	292.4	309.7	- 2.5
April	299.5	274.0	221.6	343.7	771.4	292.9	301.1	- 2.8
May	299.5	277.2	214.3	330.1	620.3	292.7	298.3	- 0.9
June	323.7	277.2	210.8	321.0	754.5	312.9	320.4	+ 7.4

a) See footnote to the following table.

b) Composition and weighting pattern as at reference base year.

TABLE 36. PRICE INDEXES OF COPPER MATERIALS USED IN THE MANUFACTURE OF ELECTRICAL

EQUIPMENT : INDEX NUMBERS FOR SELECTED ACTIVITIES : AUSTRALIA

(Base of each index : Year 1968-69 = 100.0) (a)

Year or month	Copper materials used in the manufacture of -				
	Electric motors and motor control equipment	High voltage and low voltage switchgear	Distribution transformers	Power transformers	General transformers
1974-75	133.1	137.1	122.4	116.3	128.9
1975-76	139.7	145.3	128.1	122.4	135.3
1976-77	156.7	167.3	145.6	144.3	153.4
1977-78	153.1	163.0	140.0	138.9	148.0
1978-79	173.9	194.6	159.1	167.3	169.3
1979-80	204.6	236.9	185.1	205.4	197.8
1979 -					
May	193.3	226.5	176.5	192.4	190.0
June	184.2	209.4	168.7	181.5	179.5
July	184.8	212.0	167.6	179.4	180.0
August	187.1	212.0	169.4	182.8	180.6
September	195.8	225.4	177.7	193.8	190.1
October	203.8	234.2	185.0	203.3	197.4
November	196.7	223.7	178.3	196.6	189.2
December	203.8	232.1	185.7	206.2	196.4
1980 -					
January	212.6	248.3	191.2	213.9	205.1
February	240.0	277.1	220.7	250.5	232.6
March	226.3	269.6	204.1	229.7	220.4
April	205.5	242.2	183.3	204.1	198.4
May	200.5	235.5	179.6	202.4	193.1
June	198.7	230.7	178.3	201.6	190.3

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding off the index numbers to the nearest whole number.

TABLE 37. PRICE INDEX OF MATERIALS USED IN MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY (a)
GROUP INDEX NUMBERS BASED ON INDUSTRY OF ORIGIN ACCORDING TO ASIC CLASSIFICATION : AUSTRALIA
(Base of each index : Year 1968-69 = 100.0) (b)

Year or month	Imported materials				Home produced materials					All groups	
	Agriculture	Mining	Manu- facturing	Total imported materials	Agriculture	Forestry and fishing	Mining	Electricity	Total home produced materials	Index	Percentage increase over previous year or month
Value weight (c)	1.92%	4.17%	21.07%	27.16%	47.04%	1.12%	18.92%	5.76%	72.84%	100.00%	..
Year -											
1974-75	149.3	357.8	149.5	181.5	132.2	187.8	129.0	124.6	131.6	145.1	7.7
1975-76	166.5	423.6	162.6	202.9	132.3	213.7	163.3	137.9	142.0	158.6	9.3
1976-77	258.6	479.5	182.1	233.2	152.5	245.2	189.2	148.8	163.2	182.2	14.9
1977-78	303.4	515.3	201.6	257.0	162.4	273.5	r 211.4	160.9	r 176.7	198.5	9.0
1978-79	285.3	542.6	222.1	275.7	228.8	263.5	r 281.8	173.8	r 238.7	r 248.8	25.3
1979-80	329.2	911.8	261.8	366.4	280.3	300.3	402.9	186.7	305.0	321.7	29.3
Month -											
1979 -											
May	299.7	638.2	234.6	301.2	285.6	265.7	312.6	178.9	283.8	288.5	+ 5.3
June	307.0	683.4	238.4	311.6	291.4	276.1	317.1	174.8	288.6	294.9	+ 2.2
July	313.9	737.2	242.8	323.8	277.4	275.7	349.5	183.1	288.6	298.2	+ 1.1
August	318.4	777.5	246.4	333.0	260.0	276.0	354.6	177.9	278.3	293.2	- 1.7
September	328.0	779.0	250.2	336.9	274.2	279.5	362.3	177.7	289.5	302.4	+ 3.1
October	326.7	786.0	255.5	342.0	280.7	290.0	372.7	186.4	297.3	309.4	+ 2.3
November	330.6	795.5	257.6	345.4	280.9	295.2	373.4	181.8	297.3	310.4	+ 0.3
December	334.7	895.2	259.7	362.6	287.4	291.7	380.3	181.8	303.3	319.4	+ 2.9
1980 -											
January	340.7	969.9	264.5	378.2	291.9	302.0	452.4	192.7	325.9	340.1	+ 6.5
February	336.9	978.6	268.9	382.7	295.3	310.4	466.0	192.7	331.8	345.6	+ 1.6
March	332.7	1 009.5	272.3	389.7	285.8	318.4	451.9	190.3	321.9	340.3	- 1.5
April	330.5	1 029.4	274.9	394.7	265.3	323.6	429.1	193.3	303.1	327.9	- 3.6
May	328.7	1 090.0	274.4	403.5	278.0	323.2	423.3	192.2	309.6	335.1	+ 2.2
June	328.9	1 093.3	274.3	403.9	286.8	317.6	418.7	190.8	313.9	338.4	+ 1.0
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979											
	+ 7.1	+ 60.0	+ 15.1	+ 29.6	- 1.6	+ 15.0	+ 32.0	+ 9.2	+ 8.8	+ 14.8	..

(a) Relates only to materials which are used in Australian manufacturing industry and which have been produced outside Australian manufacturing industry.

(base of each index : year 1969-70 = 100.07 %)

Year or month	Manufactured materials (imported) (c)			Other materials (imported and home produced)(d)			All groups	
	Chemicals	Metal manufactures, components for transport equipment and machinery	Other manufactured materials (c)	Food, live animals and tobacco	Crude materials (excl. fuels)	Electricity, gas and fuels	Index	Percentage increase over previous year or month
Value weight (e)	6.67%	5.21%	5.76%	45.87%	20.66%	15.83%	100.00%	..
Year -								
1974-75	141.9	148.7	137.4	132.4	149.3	179.5	145.1	7.7
1975-76	149.4	179.6	148.4	132.5	163.0	229.0	158.6	9.3
1976-77	160.3	211.6	164.5	154.9	191.7	254.8	182.2	14.9
1977-78	170.7	246.6	185.1	166.6	199.2	291.0	198.5	9.0
1978-79	180.9	271.6	201.3	232.5	r 227.4	362.4	r 248.8	25.3
1979-80	225.1	294.2	230.3	285.1	288.2	554.6	321.7	29.3
Month -								
1979 -								
May	190.4	278.8	211.2	290.0	256.5	398.7	288.5	+ 5.3
June	197.2	279.1	213.7	296.4	261.5	409.7	294.9	+ 2.2
July	201.4	283.9	216.3	282.3	262.8	465.7	298.2	+ 1.1
August	206.3	284.4	217.4	264.6	261.2	484.8	293.2	- 1.7
September	210.5	286.4	219.8	279.4	269.5	486.1	302.4	+ 3.1
October	221.4	287.3	225.7	285.3	280.5	491.9	309.4	+ 2.3
November	224.3	288.4	227.7	286.1	280.6	493.4	310.4	+ 0.3
December	225.2	289.4	232.3	293.0	286.5	519.9	319.4	+ 2.9
1980 -								
January	228.9	296.2	232.1	297.0	316.8	595.9	340.1	+ 6.4
February	231.4	300.7	234.4	299.6	327.9	605.4	345.6	+ 1.6
March	233.7	302.6	239.0	290.2	314.0	614.2	340.3	- 1.5
April	238.8	302.6	240.6	269.4	292.6	621.4	327.9	- 3.6
May	239.9	302.7	238.7	282.3	286.1	638.1	335.1	+ 2.2
June	239.3	305.2	239.0	291.5	280.2	638.9	338.4	+ 1.0

PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979

	+ 21.3	+ 9.4	+ 11.8	- 1.7	+ 7.2	+ 55.9	+ 14.8	..
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- (a) Relates only to materials which are used in Australian manufacturing industry and which have been produced outside Australian manufacturing industry.
 (b) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding the index numbers to the nearest whole number.
 (c) Excluding the manufactured imported crude materials listed in Footnote (d).
 (d) Includes the following manufactured imported crude materials: synthetic rubber, hardwood, softwood, woodpulp, synthetic fibre, vegetable oils and imported fuel oil.
 (e) Composition and weighting pattern as at reference base year.

TABLE 39. PRICE INDEXES OF ARTICLES PRODUCED BY MANUFACTURING INDUSTRY : AUSTRALIA

(Base of each index : Year 1968-69 = 100.0) (a)

Year or month	Selected net sub-division indexes (b)								All manufacturing division index (c)	
	Food, beverages and tobacco (21-22)	Clothing, and footwear (24)	Wood, wood products and furniture (25)	Glass, clay and other non-metallic mineral products (28)	Basic metal products (29)	Fabricated metal products (31)	Transport equipment (32)	Other industrial machinery and equipment and household appliances (33)	Index	Percentage increase over previous year or month
Year -										
1974-75	153.0	161.3	190.0	158.3	151.9	183.2	151.2	158.9	158.1	17.5
1975-76	163.5	185.2	219.9	183.2	174.0	217.1	175.8	179.2	177.8	12.5
1976-77	180.0	208.1	246.8	202.5	200.6	244.9	195.0	199.4	196.9	10.7
1977-78	195.6	225.2	264.0	219.8	214.0	268.7	211.6	215.3	213.8	8.6
1978-79	226.4	238.4	280.4	236.8	237.2	287.7	230.2	232.2	237.4	11.0
1979-80	266.5	255.3	315.5	265.2	282.7	323.9	252.2	261.3	274.9	15.8
Month -										
1979 -										
May	249.5	243.2	291.9	247.2	256.9	295.3	236.4	240.2	252.1	1.4
June	256.7	243.3	292.4	247.8	259.3	296.1	237.7	241.3	255.3	1.3
July	257.8	247.4	294.7	253.0	265.4	302.7	241.2	243.5	259.2	1.5
August	256.5	249.1	296.5	255.6	265.8	306.6	242.8	247.8	261.5	0.9
September	256.8	250.5	299.6	257.8	268.9	308.4	244.6	249.2	263.3	0.7
October	261.3	251.2	302.6	259.2	274.4	309.9	247.3	252.2	266.6	1.3
November	263.5	253.2	307.8	260.0	274.2	313.9	248.3	256.6	269.3	1.0
December	266.0	253.2	311.1	261.0	282.6	321.8	252.3	258.3	272.2	1.1
1980 -										
January	268.7	253.5	318.1	264.4	293.6	327.2	253.6	262.8	276.3	1.5
February	271.5	258.7	322.4	268.4	302.0	335.1	256.7	268.5	283.1	2.5
March	273.3	260.8	325.2	271.4	299.2	336.3	257.6	272.6	285.4	0.8
April	272.6	261.7	333.0	274.8	288.3	338.9	258.0	273.9	286.0	0.2
May	273.6	261.8	336.6	277.5	285.2	340.1	261.8	274.7	287.2	0.4
June	275.9	262.5	338.5	279.8	292.4	346.3	262.4	275.8	289.2	0.7
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979										
	+ 7.5	+ 7.9	+ 15.8	+ 12.9	+ 12.8	+ 17.0	+ 10.4	+ 14.3	+ 13.3	..

(a) Figures are shown to one decimal place to avoid distortions that would occur in rounding the index numbers to the nearest whole number.

(b) These indexes are on a 'net sub-division' basis. ASIC sub-division codes are shown in brackets at the head of the columns.

TABLE 40. EXPORT PRICE INDEX : AUSTRALIA

(Base of each index : Year 1974-75 = 100)

Year or month	Meat and meat preparations	Dairy products and eggs	Fish and fish preparations	Cereals and cereal preparations	Fruit and vegetables	Sugar and sugar preparations	Hides, skins and furskins raw	Textile fibres and their wastes	Metalliferous ores and metal scrap	Coal, coke and briquettes
1974-75	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100
1975-76	115	93	138	94	98	89	123	105	119	152
1976-77	125	94	185	89	108	83	188	135	140	164
1977-78	154	107	200	81	160	72	198	139	151	176
1978-79	234	113	229	86	167	74	308	153	157	178
1979-80	285	123	230	107	184	95	326	181	189	180
1979 -										
May	276	115	251	93	176	77	427	172	172	177
June	283	116	244	93	177	77	408	170	173	176
July	269	118	235	96	180	78	383	169	175	179
August	267	120	239	98	179	79	389	169	175	175
September	279	120	240	99	179	79	363	170	176	177
October	288	120	238	102	179	86	358	172	179	181
November	299	120	239	102	180	88	335	187	182	180
December	301	122	235	102	181	88	335	186	186	179
1980 -										
January	302	123	233	107	191	87	338	178	189	183
February	308	126	230	113	184	88	329	182	193	183
March	294	127	225	114	183	109	309	193	199	182
April	284	126	218	116	190	113	286	189	208	184
May	269	127	212	116	190	119	254	192	206	183
June	262	127	214	116	191	128	238	187	202	178
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979										
	- 7.4	+ 9.5	- 12.3	+ 24.7	+ 7.9	+ 66.2	- 41.7	+ 10.0	+ 16.8	+ 1.1

TABLE 40. EXPORT PRICE INDEX : AUSTRALIA - continued

(Base of each index : Year 1974-75 = 100)

Year or month	Petroleum, petroleum products and related materials	Animal oils and fats	Manufactures of -		Power generating machinery and equipment	Specialised machinery for particular industries	Road vehicles	Gold	All groups	
			Iron and steel	Non-ferrous metals					Index	Percentage increase (a)
1974-75	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	100	
1975-76	119	98	84	93	114	126	117	91	109	+ 9.0
1976-77	137	117	91	123	119	147	130	95	122	+ 11.9
1977-78	141	136	96	125	139	166	145	120	128	+ 4.9
1978-79	157	157	118	161	154	178	154	165	144	+ 12.5
1979-80	241	169	145	255	173	195	166	347	174	+ 20.8
1979 -										
May	182	176	134	202	161	181	156	187	159	+ 1.9
June	192	177	141	211	161	181	156	209	161	+ 1.3
July	194	181	142	217	162	190	158	212	161	0.0
August	200	181	144	215	166	189	161	227	162	+ 0.6
September	213	175	145	226	168	191	161	227	164	+ 1.2
October	223	172	147	241	168	192	162	289	169	+ 3.0
November	230	172	147	249	169	193	162	293	172	+ 1.8
December	232	171	146	263	169	192	163	331	174	+ 1.2
1980 -										
January	246	171	146	316	170	196	165	492	179	+ 2.9
February	263	165	146	320	175	198	166	488	183	+ 2.2
March	272	163	146	310	181	199	168	424	185	+ 1.1
April	276	163	146	250	181	197	174	382	183	- 1.1
May	275	161	145	238	182	202	175	373	182	- 0.5
June	273	158	145	219	182	205	177	431	179	- 1.6
PERCENTAGE INCREASE : JUNE 1980 OVER JUNE 1979										
	+ 42.2	+ 10.7	+ 2.8	+ 3.8	+ 13.0	+ 13.3	+ 13.5	+ 106.2	+ 11.2	..

(a) Over previous year or month.

PUBLICATIONS OF THE TASMANIAN OFFICE OF THE AUSTRALIAN BUREAU OF STATISTICS (a)

Cat. No.	Publication	Latest issue (b)	Date of issue
GENERAL			
1101.6	Index of Towns, Localities and Standard Area Codes irr *	1975	17- 9-1975
1103.6	Catalogue of Publications, Tasmanian Office irr	1980	7- 6-1980
1301.6	Tasmanian Year Book (\$8.00; \$9.00 Tas; \$10.30 interstate) a	1980	September 1980
1302.6	Pocket Year Book of Tasmania (\$0.60; \$0.95 posted) a	1980	24-11-1980
1303.6	Monthly Summary of Statistics m *	December 1980	22-12-1980
1304.6	Compendium of Local Government Area Statistics irr *	1979	10- 7-1979
DEMOGRAPHY AND SOCIAL			
3101.6	Demography a *	1979	January 1981
3201.6	Estimated Population of Local Government Areas in Tasmania a	30 June 1980	7- 1-1981
3202.6	Population and Vital Statistics q	September qtr 1980	8-12-1980
3301.6	Death, Causes of a *	1979	November 1980
3401.6	Visitor Survey sole issue *	1978	23- 4-1979
4201.6	Education a *	1979	26- 9-1980
4301.6	Hospital Morbidity a *	1978	20- 9-1979
4302.6	Mental Health Statistics a	1979-80	4-11-1980
4501.6	Public Justice a *	1978	28- 9-1979
TRADE AND FINANCE			
5401.6	Trade and Shipping a *	1976-77	27-11-1978
5402.6	Trade, Overseas a	1979-80	24-12-1980
5501.6	Local Government Finance a *	1979-80	7- 7-1980
5601.6	Private Finance a *	1978-79	January 1981
5603.6	Friendly Societies, Report on a	1978	1-10-1979
LABOUR, WAGES AND PRICES			
6101.6	Labour, Wages and Prices a *	1979-80	January 1981
6301.6	Industrial Accident Statistics a *	1978-79	September 1980
AGRICULTURE			
7101.6	Agricultural Industry a *	1978-79	January 1981
7102.6	Principal Agricultural Statistics (preliminary) a	1979-80	5- 6-1980
7201.6	Livestock Statistics (final) a	1979-80	21-11-1980
7202.6	Meat Production a	1979-80	14-10-1980
7203.6	Dairying and Dairy Products a	1979-80	19- 1-1981
7204.6	Poultry Production a	1979-80	11-11-1980
7205.6	Wool Production and Disposal a	1978-79	21- 3-1980
7206.6	Bee Farming a	1979-80	1-10-1980
7301.6	Crops and Pastures a	1978-79	3- 6-1980
7302.6	Apples and Pears in Cool Stores (seasonal) m	November 1980	18-12-1980
7303.6	Fruit a	1978-79	7- 5-1980
7304.6	Potato Production a	1978-79	21- 3-1980
7401.6	Rural Establishments, Number of, Irrigation and Fertiliser Usage a	1978-79	15- 2-1980
7501.6	Agricultural Commodities Produced, Value of a	1978-79	31- 6-1979
MANUFACTURING, MINING AND BUILDING			
8202.6	Census of Manufacturing Establishments, Details of Operations and Small Area Statistics a *	1978-79	24-11-1980
8203.6	Sawmilling, Woodchipping, etc. Statistics m	Sept. qtr 1980	14- 1-1981
8204.6	Survey of Household Energy Sources irr	November 1979	24- 3-1980
8301.6	Productive Activity, Miscellaneous Indicators of m	October 1980	14- 1-1981
8401.6	Mining a *	1978-79	September 1980
8601.6	Retail and Selected Services Establishments (Economic Censuses) irr *	1973-74	2-10-1975
8602.6	Wholesale Establishments (Economic Census) irr *	1968-69	24- 8-1973
8603.6	Tourist Accommodation q	June qtr 1980	8-10-1980
8604.6	Tourist Accommodation Establishments, Census of irr *	1973-74	29- 8-1975
8701.6	Building Industry a *	1979-80	19-12-1980
8702.6	Building Approvals m	November 1980	15- 1-1981
8703.6	Building Statistics q	June qtr 1980	7-11-1980
TRANSPORT			
9301.6	Motor Vehicle Registrations m	November 1980	8- 1-1981
9302.6	Motor Vehicle Census irr *	30 Sept. 1979	12- 5-1980
9401.6	Road Traffic Accidents Involving Casualties q	June qtr 1980	31-10-1980
9402.6	Road Traffic Accidents Involving Casualties half-yearly	30 June 1980	17-11-1980

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 (b) As at 19 January 1981.

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